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Inflation rate falls to 10.4%

Inflation fell to 10.4 per cent last month and Government economists are predicting single figures for April. The March figure is the fifth fall in six months and the lowest rate since May, 1979 when the Government took office. Inflation is also slowing in other leading industrial countries, including the United States Page 15

Peace package signed at BL

Union leaders and BL Cars executives signed a package of industrial relations reforms aimed at averting confrontation in 30 plants. The agreement, reached after 15 months of talks, defines negotiating procedures to cover every known cause of unrest and to conduct pay talks

TV journalists disrupt BBC

Disruptive action by BBC television journalists prevented the screening of *Nationwide* and affected a news broadcast. Members of the National Union of Journalists held mandatory meetings in protest at an offer on pay allowances Page 2

Salvador to get moderate leader

The Reagan Administration has persuaded right-wing leaders in El Salvador to reach agreement with the Christian Democrats on choosing a moderate as interim President. The right will, however, monopolize posts in the Constituent Assembly Page 6

Mystery ruins reveal secret



The centuries-old riddle surrounding the purpose o Le Mura di Santo Stefano, the *romantic skeleton of a building* situated about three quarters of an hour's drive from Rome, has been solved by British archaeologists Back page

Lonrho to move into Israel

Lonrho, the multi-national company, is considering joint ventures and direct investments in Israel, this upsetting its leading Arab shareholders, Gulf Fisheries, and facing a threat of Arab boycott Page 15

Riot police 'risk'

Police officers' lives had been put at risk, with 781 officers injured, during the Toxteth riots last summer, Inspector Gerald O'Connell, of Merseyside Police, told Mold Crown Court, where two officers face charges of unlawful killing after a man was hit by a police vehicle Page 3

Minister fined

The Israeli Cabinet minister convicted of theft has escaped imprisonment. There was clear astonishment in court when Mr Aharon Abuhatzeira was given a suspended sentence and £100 fine Page 4

Villa concern

Aston Villa's opponents Anderlecht want either the English club expelled from the European Cup or a replay of Wednesday's semi-final in Belgium because of crowd trouble involving English supporters. Page 20.

Costa Méndez takes new proposals to US

From Christopher Thomas, Buenos Aires, April 23

Argentina has prepared fresh proposals to avert war in the South Atlantic. They will be made known to the British Government in the next few days but the indications are that they do not represent a substantial shift of ground.

Señor Nicanor Costa Méndez, the Foreign Minister, leaves for Washington tomorrow in readiness for Monday's debate by the Organization of American States on the Falklands crisis. It was not clear tonight whether he would meet Mr Alexander Haig, the United States Secretary of State, but he did confirm that he would carry with him ideas for "a possible way out".

The proposals seem to amount to little more than a revised form of words without any substantial change of policy. One Argentine source said the junta was suggesting that Britain should agree to "decolonize" without formally conceding Argentine sovereignty while a long-term solution was argued by the United Nations.

In Argentina's view such an idea would be tantamount to acknowledging its future ownership of the territory because of its confidence that the UN would concede sovereignty to Argentina.

Argentina's resolve to remain on the Falklands was reinforced today by President Leopoldo Galtieri, commander-in-chief of the army, who ordered his troops to "fight to the last drop of blood". He unexpectedly stayed overnight on the Falklands and flew out this morning to inspect military preparations along the Argentine coast.

Señor Costa Mendez said in an interview with BBC *Newsnight* today that the prospects of war were "half and half". Argentina was prepared to negotiate a peaceful settlement but was not prepared to give up sovereignty over the islands.

Under Argentine rule the islanders would be granted rights over their religion, language, property and British way of life. Britain would be able to maintain refuelling and scientific stations on the islands.

Argentina was ready to pay compensation to islanders who wished to leave and would provide air tickets to Australia, New Zealand, Britain, or wherever they chose to settle. They would be offered land in the southern states of Argentina and given assistance to buy property.

The military junta has begun a diplomatic offensive to rally international support for its case and to prevent another defeat before the United Nations Security Council, which ordered Argentine troops to withdraw.

☐ Argentina has started an emergency arms-buying campaign to prepare for possible war with Britain and has already received artillery ammunition from Israel, arms trade sources said today (Reuter reports).

Argentina had also approached Brazil to supply at short notice a wide range of military equipment including aircraft and armoured vehicles.

☐ Our Defence Correspondent writes: Almost any one can buy almost anything in the arms trade, asssuming that his credit is good. Argentina's main problem is likely to be financial.

Argentina has a flourishing arms industry of its own — and a shortage of equipment is not likely. The cost is likely to be more damaging.

Thatcher briefed by Navy chief

By Henry Stanhope
Defence Correspondent

The Prime Minister spent two hours at the Royal Navy's operational fleet headquarters yesterday, while speculation mounted over a military solution to the Falkland Islands crisis.

Mrs Thatcher was briefed by Admiral Sir John Fieldhouse, Commander-in-Chief Fleet, and his staff in their underground command post, they lunched with officers at the headquarters in Northwood, north-west London.

Admiral of the Fleet Sir Terence Lewin, Chief of Defence Staff, was also present — but not Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence who remained in the Ministry of Defence.

Sources swiftly denied any suggestion that the task force was engaged in landing on South Georgia. Mrs Thatcher's visit did not reflect any heightened action, they said.

This also applied to the military manoeuvres at Sennybridge, South Wales, involving more than 2,000 troops from 5th brigade, the Aldershot-based command which is responsible for Army operations outside the Nato area.

The Defence Ministry spokesman denied, as far as he could, a report in yesterday's *Times* that senior task force commanders had queried with Government ministers the wisdom of a seabourne assault on the Falklands without guaranteed air superiority. "I do not believe representations of the kind suggested have been made", he said.

Intelligence officers have been examining tape recordings of shortwave broadcasts by a woman, which sound like a calculated Argentine attempt to damage the morale of the troops in the task force.

So far she has succeeded only in diverting the attentions of the Ministry of Defence and the press, who have been dreaming up a *nom-de-guerre* for her. "Falkland Fanny" was one candidate from Fleet Street. The ministry has come up with Evil Eva, Buenos Aires Bella and, perhaps best of all, Minnie Haw Haw.

US will continue peace talks if war breaks out

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, April 23

Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, continued his talks with Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, and other senior Administration officials today with little apparent hope of finding a solution which would prevent Britain and Argentina going to war over the Falklands.

American sources said they expected the British task force to go into action over the next few days, probably with an assault on South Georgia. Mr Pym would only comment that the fleet was "on course and on time".

Despite the wide gap which still exists between the British and Argentine proposals for a solution of the dispute, Mr Pym has been considerably encouraged by the expressions of support he heard when he attended a meeting of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee last night.

Senator Charles Percy, the committee chairman, said: "There is no question in my mind as to where the sentiments of the *American* people are — they are solidly with the United Kingdom".

Another committee member Senator Clairborne Pell, added that if diplomacy failed "when push comes to shove, the American people will be with the British".

However, Administration officials have made it clear that the United States has no intention of abandoning its attempts to mediate between Britain and Argentina for the time being, even if British forces do go into action during the next few days.

Emphasizing that Washington was determined to continue its present dialogue with London and Buenos Aires, a State Department official said: "The United States will not automatically abandon its honest broker role even if fighting starts".

Mr Pym has gone out of his way since his arrival in Washington yesterday to praise Mr Haig's energetic diplomacy aimed at preventing hostilities breaking out in the South Atlantic. At the same time, however, the British have left the Americans in no doubt that they expect the United States to *come* down on Britain's side if negotiations fail to persuade Argentina to adhere to Security Council Resolution 502.

Senators who met Mr Pym last night said today they were pessimistic that a formula could be found that would satisfy both Britain and Argentinia. However, American officials felt they had detected some flexibility in the British position.

Americans interpreted this flexibility as an attempt to show that if the talks failed, it would not be because of British intransigence.

Mr Pym's first appointment today was with Mr William Clark, the national security adviser. This was followed by a meeting with Mr Haig at the State Department. Mr Haig was then due to have lunch with Mr Pym and Sir Nicholas Henderson, the British Ambassador.

A meeting with President Reagan was still considered a possibility, but nothing had been arranged by late morning. Mr Pym was scheduled to leave Washington for London tonight although British officials said his return could be delayed if there was a breakthrough.

Pope decides to wait and see

From Peter Nichols, Rome, April 23

The Vatican will leave the Falklands crisis for week or ten days before facing the decision of whether the Pope's visit to Britain should be called off.

"We prefer", a highly placed prelate said here tonight, "a papal landing in Britain to a landing in the Falklands". This pragmatic attitude of first things first (and preparations for the first papal visit to Britain have been in hand since September, 1980) is accompanied by a certain Olympian judgment on the dispute.

Argentina is seen to have committed an act of aggression by occupying the Falklands. The British, on the other hand, are seen to be reacting in an exaggerated way to their fundamental mistake of having left the islands defenceless.

As a lofty papal diplomat commented, with all the professional weight which lay diplomacy could never give to the phrase: "What a temptation it was to Argentina!" Some submarines, a frigate and a modest garrison would have sufficed to discourage the Argentine occupation.

The Vatican recognizes that if a decision were taken now and the crisis was over before the arrival of the Pope, on May 28, the effect would be more damaging than a last-minute move which could not be proved wrong by events.

There is admittedly hope rather than confidence that the crisis will end in time but certainly there is as yet no sense of despair. Neither side, in the Vatican's view, initially understood the scope of the international repercussions.

The Pope is having to deal with an unusually uncertain programme of visits. Evidently he has no wish to cancel going to Britain: nor would he want to have to change his plans to go back to Poland in the summer but he may have to if there is a danger that his presence would appear to be a blessing, or at least an acceptance, of martial law.

The comparison is unequal, but the Pope would not want to give an impression of condoning repression in Poland or a bellicose Mrs Thatcher in Britain. No such difficulties, however, stand in the way of his journey next month to Portugal and, in particular, the Marian shrine of Fatima.

Today, by coincidence, he handled another international question involving Argentina. He summoned the two delegations attempting to negotiate the quarrel between Argentina and Chile on rights to the Beagle Sound. Both sides asked the Pope to mediate and two years ago the Vatican put forward a plan.

It was not accepted but the Pope today impressed that negotiations should be continued and deepened and that his original proposals should remain the basis of discussion. He also called on them to avoid incidents which would make the negotiation more difficult.

Members of the British Limbless Ex-Service Men's Association, escorted by the Welsh Guards, en route to Westminster Abbey for a remembrance service. The association celebrates its golden jubilee this week.

Diehards forced out of Sinai bunker

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem, April 23

The harrowing 48-hour struggle between Israeli troops and Jewish militants in the demolished Sinai town of Yamit was completed today when the last remaining diehards, mostly teenagers from New York were dragged screaming from the fortified bunker which they had named "Masada".

Despite earlier threats of ritual suicide by the bunker dwellers, who turned out to number only 11 the entire operation to remove more then 2,000 anti-withdrawal protesters from the town was completed without serious bloodshed. Over the two-day period 84 militants were arrested.

The final assault on the bunker taken over by members of the extreme right wing Kach movement was completed with the aid of a piledriver which smashed a hole in the wall and fire hoses which were used to flush out the militants who had been blockaded inside for a week.

Earlier, Israeli troops moved against the only other remaining centre of resistance in the rapidly disappearing town, the eight-storey tower of a futuristic war memorial which contained about 20 students led by the son of one of Israel's best known rightwing politicians, Mrs Geula Cohen.

The besieged students put up little resistance once the troops moved against the concrete building. Like all the other protesters, they were then sent back to Israel proper by coach.

Late tonight the only *building still left standing* in Yamit was the surviving synagogue occupied by about 17 members of the stop-the-withdrawal movement who had been given special military authorization to remain until Sunday morning when they have promised to leave voluntarily.

The completion of the evacuation and the bulldozing into the sand of the 600 houses which formerly comprised the 10-year-old town on the Mediterranean coast have set the stage for Israel's final exit from Sinai on Sunday. The last Israeli troops will leave at noon but there will be no joint ceremony with the Egyptians, who will raise their flag one hour later.

The low-key approach to the historic handover is favoured by both countries for different reasons and is in marked contrast to the elaborate military ceremonies which have marked earlier stages in the gradual transfer of the strategic peninsula

The Israeli Government is acutely conscious of the deep emotions aroused in the country by the Sinai handover and the physical destruction of Yamit which for the past two nights has been shown in graphic detail on Israeli television.

Egypt for its part is cutting back all ceremonial under the new leadership of President Mubarak and officials have said that the Government is unwilling to embarrass Israel by overplaying the occasion.

The activities of some of the extremists in Yamit have upset many Israelis, who feel that they will have damaged the country's image abroad.

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Couple win damages for 'wicked police conduct'

By Lucy Hodges

Damages of £51,392 for assault, wrongful arrest and malicious prosecution were awarded yesterday to a West Indian couple whom a High Court judge said had been brutally beaten up by the police at their home in north London.

Mr Justice Mars-Jones, who said the police behaviour could do immense damage to race relations, awarded "aggravated and exemplary" damages to Mr David White, now aged 60, and his wife, Lucille, now aged 50, because of the serious implications of the case.



Mr and Mrs White: Victims of "savage" assault.

The judge commented that the couple had been subjected to "monstrous, wicked and shameful conduct in the name of justice" and that the police had persisted in a five-year cover-up of their "brutal, savage and sustained variety of assaults".

He said he could not accept the police evidence of what happened when up to 17 officers raided the home in Lordship Road, Stoke Newington, in September 1976.

A search warrant for stolen goods was never produced, the officers entry was illegal and the family had every right to resist them, said the judge. No stolen goods were found. Mr and Mrs White were, however, charged with assault on the police but acquitted after a crown court trial.

After the judgment the couple's solicitor, Mr Lensworth Small, said the case would show black people they could get justice from a white judge.

A Scotland Yard spokesman said last night: "The question of an appeal is being considered and in view of the comments made by the judge, the matter is being investigated at the highest level".

Civil Service award thwarts Thatcher

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

The Government was plunged into fresh political embarrassment at home yesterday by an arbitration award giving 520,000 civil servants half as much again as the official ceiling of 4 per cent on public sector pay rises.

Mrs Thatcher and her Cabinet colleagues are expected to decide over the next few days whether to invoke "parliamentary override" provisions using the Tories' large majority in the Commons to block payment of wage increases averaging 5.9 per cent.

Informed sources in Whitehall took the view that ministers whose attention is engaged by the Falklands crisis will not seek a dispute with the civil service unions — even though the £240m award will stiffen the resolve of health service workers due to take industrial action next week.

Mr Ken Thomas, general secretary of the Civil and Public Service Association (CPSA), the largest civil service union, said he did not expect the Government to override the arbitration decision.

The Civil Service Arbitration Tribunal has gone a long way towards overturning the Treasury's efforts to introduce "market forces" into collective bargaining in Government employment.

Young clerical workers under 20 who would have received nothing under the Government's original offer will now get 4.75 per cent; older and more experienced staff will receive 5.5 per cent, and the maximum of each pay scale will be increased by 6.25 per cent as part of a package backdated to April 1.

The Government's firm line against hospital staff is also unlikely to be helped by a provisional agreement reached yesterday between the Union of Communication Workers (UCW) and the Post Office Corporation for 7 per cent increases for postmen, counter clerks and sorters. The offer is going to ballot.

Disruption looms in health service

☐ The prospect of widespread industrial disruption in the health service drew closer yesterday with the decision by NHS administrative and clerical staff to strike if necessary (Jeannette Mitchell writes).

A special meeting of the health section of the National and Local Government Officers Association (Nalgo), which represents 100,000

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Bill seeks to aid land reclamation

The Derelict Land Bill, which would strengthen the powers of the Department of the Environment to order grants for reclamation in both the public and private sectors, was published yesterday.

With the consent of Treasury, local authorities in designated areas in England will be eligible for 100 per cent grants towards expenditure incurred in reclamation will be payable to companies in the private sector statutory undertakings and nationalized industries in areas where the 100 per cent grants is payable to local authorities.

In Wales, the Bill would shift power to make derelict land grants to bodies other than local authorities from the Secretary of State for Wales to the Welsh Development Agency.

Under present legislation only authorities in assisted areas and derelict land clearance areas receive 100 per cent grants, and the private sector grants are at the rate of 50 per cent.

Councillor for trial

Cliff Capon, a Kent county councillor and a former mayor of Hythe, pleaded not guilty yesterday at Brighton Crown Court to six charges of obtaining money by deception and six of falsifying his expenses. The case will be heard in the autumn.

Mr Capon, aged 44, a postman, of North Road, Hythe, was the mayor of Hythe from 1972 to 1974 and is still a member of Hythe Town Council and Shepway District Council.

Helicopter crew's award

Two RAF men have been awarded the Queen's Commendation for their courage during a helicopter rescue in heavy seas last December.

Flight Lieutenant Nicholas Easthope, aged 30, captain of a Wessex helicopter called out after a ship sank off the Glamorgan coast, kept his aircraft overhead for 20 minutes while Warrant Officer Larry Evans, aged 35, the winchman, although repeatedly submerged by 35ft waves, managed to secure two survivors and recover them.

108th birthday

Mrs Annie Chapman, one of Britain's oldest women, was 108 yesterday. She celebrated her birthday at Clapham Hospital, Bedford, with birthday wishes from her son Percy, aged 83 and from the Queen.

Overseas selling prices

Austria Sch 28; Bahrain BD 0.650; Belgium B frs 40; Canada $2.50; Canaries Pes 125; Cyprus 550 mils; Denmark Dkr 7; Dubai Dir 7.00; Finland Mkk 7.00; France Frs 7.00; Germany DM 3.50; Greece Dr 80; Holland Gl 3.25; Iran IR 156; Iraq LD 0.500; Irish Republic 50p; Italy L 1800; Jordan LD 0.425; Kuwait KD 0.500; Lebanon LL 4.00; Luxembourg Lf 35; Madeira Esc 75; Malta 30c; Morocco Dir 7; Norway Kr 7.50; Oman OR 0.700; Pakistan Rps 12; Portugal Esc 90; Qatar QR 7.50; Saudi Arabia SR 4.50; Singapore $5.00; Spain Pes 125; Sweden Skr 8.00; Switzerland S Frs 3.00; Syria LS5.50; Tunisia Din 0.600; USA $1.50; UAE Dir 7.00; Yugoslavia Din 50.

Provisional Sinn Fein to fight Ulster election

From Richard Ford, Belfast

Provisional Sinn Fein (PSF) is to contest any election to be held as part of Mr James Prior's rolling devolution proposals for Northern Ireland, although it appears that its candidates will not, if elected take their seats in the proposed assembly.

In a change from its position of a few weeks ago, when it seemed it would make a decision after the Social Democratic and Labour Party (SDLP) declared its position, PSF said it would be offering the nationalist people a republican voice and alternative.

Mr Rory O'Brady, president of PSF, the political wing of the IRA said that it had decided to fight the proposed elections for assembly. But he said "We will not be taking part in any British process which will allow the Westminster Government to foist artificial political institutions on any sector of the Irish people".

His statement did not say how many seats the organization would contest, but it is thought it could number up to 15.

In the general election in the republic last February seven PSF candidates did very badly and it was then thought that they would not be prepared to test their political support in the north at an assembly election.

The only leading party in Ulster which has not yet said whether it will contest the elections is the SDLP, within which there are known to be divisions about whether to stand. Mr Seamus Mallon, the deputy leader of the party, said that the PSF decision would have no effect on his party's decision.

However, the PSF decision does increase the pressure on the SDLP at least to fight the elections, as last yeat the party did not stand at two by-elections for Fermanagh and South Tyrone and allowed Mr Bobby Sands, the hunger striker, and then Mr Owen Carron, his election agent, to win the seat.

It is unlikely that the party would want to allow PSF a free run in republican areas although one strategy for the party would be to contest the election on the pledge that it would boycott the assembly.

□ The health and social services boards in Belfast are looking at a claim for compensation from a former resident of the Kincora boy's home, who is claiming compensation for sexual abuse he allegedly received while at the home.

□ Six members of the Ulster Defence Association (UDA) were remanded in custody for a week yesterday on charges of conspiracy to possess firearms and ammunition and conspiracy to possess records and documents containing information likely to be useful to terrorists.

Among those who appeared at the Crumlin Road court were Andrew Tyrie, "supreme commander" of the orgainzation, and John McMichael, chairman of the UDA's political wing, who was a candidate in the Belfast, South, by-election last month.

Jonathan Player



Double take: These three are part of a burgeoning industry which provides doubles of well known acters for promotions and parties; they will take part in a contest for doubles at Burnham Beeches, Buckinghamshire, on Wednesday. (From the left) Tony Williams as Eddie Shoestring, Derek Bird (Frank Spencer) and Tony Abel (M Clouseau).

'Nationwide' halted by pay protest

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

Disruptive action by television journalists last night prevented the screening of Nationwide and affected BBC television news. Members of the National Union of Journalists held mandatory chapel (office branch) meetings at key working times in protest at the BBC's offer on pay allowances.

The evening news at 5.40 was assembled by management and a substitute news reader was found to replace Mr Michael Sullivan, but the much larger Nationwide chapel of the NUJ stopped the programme from going out. Stock film about ghosts and witches was transmitted instead.

Television journalist have been offered a 6.5 per cent pay rise in line with other staff, but talks broke down on allowances. Mr Mike McKay, deputy of the TV News chapel, said: "The question whether we take further action depends on the BBC response.

"We hope further action will not be needed because, particulary with the international situation as is, journalists are reluctant to take industrial action. We hope the corporation will come forward with a more realistic offer on allowances."

About 250 jornalists are involved in the dispute.

The BBC said last night that the 1982 general pay award had been accepted by four other unions and was being implemented for all staff. "Negotiations are continuing on other claims submitted by the NUJ."

□ The national dock strike threatened from Monday by the Transport and General Worker's Union has officially been called off.

Mr John Connolly, TGWU docks secretary, told the port workers not to go ahead with the indefinite stoppage after the National Dock Labour Board withdrew controversial changes in the dockers' unique employment scheme.

However, industrial unrest continues on Merseyside, where port workers have been called to a mass meeting in Liverpool boxing stadium tomorrow. Mersey dockers are protesting about delay in talks on a pay claim and about 725 voluntary redundancies sought from the 3,300 work force.

□ The threat to close the British Steel Corporation's plant at Craigneuk works, in Motherwell, Strathclyde, was withdrawn yesterday after a joint union and management meeting.

Mr Clive Lewis, Scottish organizer of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, said: "Closure of the works is no longer an option."

□ The General and Municipal Workers Union has reached an agreement with the Pharmaceutical and Fine Chemical Employers increasing minimum pay by about 8 per cent for about 15,000 production workers. The national minimum rate is increased from £72 to £77.50, with further increases in shift pay.

South-west: Test for alliance

By Craig Seton

LOCAL ELECTIONS

There are probably only slim pickings for the SDP-Liberal-Alliance in the local elections in the South-west. The parties are still forging their partnership and will be putting their joint organization to the test and laying the groundwork for the next general election rather than looking for any startling gains.

From Cornwall to Swindon, in Wiltshire, and Weymouth and Portland, in Dorset, only non-metropolitan districts are involved in the latest test of local opinion. None of the parties would pretend that anything dramatic is likely to happen and it is unlikely that any of the councils will change

Thamedown council, based on Swindon, is controlled by Labour with 34 seats. The SDP has two seats and the Conservatives 13. The Liberals ans Social Democrats, true to the spirit of their alliance, have agreed to put up eight candidates each to fight the 16 seats to be contested.

The Labour is not in good spirits in the West Country, but reasonably feels that the alliance will have too much work to do seriously to threaten its majority.

Farther west, in Bath, the Conservatives are in secure control of the council, having 33 seats against Labour's 14 and the Liberals' one. The Liberals have in the past.

Eleven of the Conservative seats and five of Labour's are being contested. Again the Liberals and Social Democrats are putting up eight candidates each. The Conservatives are resigned to losing several of their seats but point out that before local government reorganization in 1974 they never controlled the council, although they frequently were the largest party, but had kept control of it ever since.

In Dorset there is no overall control of Purbeck, where independents, with 10 seats, form the largest group, or of Weymouth and Portland, where the Conservatives, with 15 seats, are the largest group. Some seats will inevitably change hands.

In Somerset the Liberals and Social Democrats have agreed an almost equal split of the 19 seats being contested on Woodspring council, based on Weston-super-Mare, but the Conservatives are well in control

In Devon the story is the same.

In Cornwall Penwith District Council, based on the holiday resort of Penwith, considers itself, with the county council, largely non-political and the election is arousing little interest.

Throughout the West Country the Conservatives appreciate that they will lose seats, mainly to alliance candidates, but they will centre their campaign largely on the careful use of ratepayers' money.

On Monday: The issues

Changes in police riot uniforms

By David Hewson

The Home Office is to withdraw fireproof riot uniforms for police officers which do not carry identification marks. Their use was criticized earlier this week when they were worn by 100 officers during disturbances in Notting Hill, west London.

The National Council for Civil Liberties and officials of several local community organizations blamed the uniforms for raising feelings during the disturbances, since they made it almost impossible for anyone with a complaint against the police to identify individual officers.

The overalls simply contain a small flash bearing the word "Police" and in Notting Hill were worn in conjunction with visored crash helmets.

The uniforms have been seen in London before, but never in such numbers. They are not issued individually to officers, but are handed out when senior policemen feel that there is a risk of petrol bombs being thrown.

The Home Office decision was disclosed when Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, Conservative MP for Kensington and Chelsea, whose constituency includes Notting Hill, met Mr Timothy Raison, Minister of State at the Home Office, yesterday, to discuss several issues arising from the disturbances.

Mr Raison said that the Home Office was planning to replace the uniforms with new ones which display serial numbers. The move was welcomed by Sir Brandon, who said it was in everyone's best interests and dealt with a problem that had been raised with him as a result of the disturbances.

PRISONER HANGED

Eric Lincoln, aged 56, who was sentenced in 1972, to life imprisonment for murder, has been found hanged in a cell at Horfield prison, Bristol. He was released on licence last year but recalled to prison this week after an alleged assault.

Science report

Tourism 'threat to nature reserves'

by Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

Demands for stronger safeguards for wildlife in Britain sometimes obscure the fact ahat similar needs are felt in the rest of Europe. Studies by the Council of Europe, of which 21 countries are members, have shown that 45 per cent of reptile species and 24 per cent of butterflies are in danger of extinction.

The European dimension in concern for wildlife was illustrated by Dr Peter Baum, an ecologist in the environment and nature resources division of the council, when he spoke at a conference arranged by the administrators of the Peak District national park. The park is one of the few areas in Europe to hold the council's diploma for nature reserves of the highest quality, and Dr Baum had come to renew it.

He feared that public opinion was turning against national parks, and that those founded in the 1960s and 1970s could not be founded today. But Dr Baum clearly remained a strong adherent of the rigorous view that wild habitats needed to be allowed to survive in peace in their own right.

He rejected the subsidiary role in which pieces of unspoiled countryside were called nature reserves and allowed to remain as long as they did not interfere with the demands of industry.

No site could be expected to survive simultaneously as a true nature reserve and as a tourist attraction, he went on. The short view that reserves had to serve immediate human demands for outdoor recreation should be replaces by full acceptance of their importance as stores of genetic material for the future.

"We forget that they are the guarantee of ecological life systems, on which any urban area ultimately depends," Dr Baum went on. "We could manage without most industrial products, but we could not manage without nature. Nevertheless our natural ecosystems, which are the original parts of our landscapes, have shrunk to islands in a spoiles and highly polluted ocean."

Woman's son called by prosecution

A father yesterday criticized West Mercia Police after his son, aged 13, was called as a prosecution witness against his mother after a fatal road accident.

Xavier Seaman was called to give evidence at Hereford County Magistrates' Court when his mother, Mrs Susan Margaret Seaman, a psychiatric nurse, of Bush Bank, Canon Pyon, Hereford, was alleged to have caused the death of Mrs Dorothy Rawlings, aged 73, by careless driving.

Mrs Seaman denied the charge and was found not guilty. But she was told she would have to pay £400 court costs. After the case her husband, Mr Roger Seaman, said: "It was a grave error of judgment on the part of the police to bring the case

Ministry alert on Canadian tinned salmon

The Department of Health and Social Security last night issued a warning to the public not to use any 7½ oz tins of Canadian salmon. A Manchester family had become ill after eating a tin of salmon.

The cans which are thought to carry a possible risk of contamination can be identified by the name "Canada" embossed on the top and bottom.

The department said that an elderly member of the family died, although not as a direct result of eating the fish.

It added: "Although there is only a slight chance that a can might be faulty, there is no means by which the public can themselves determine this. Our advice to people is not to use any brand of Canadian salmon in 7½ oz tins".

This is the second tinned salmon scare this year. In February the department gave a warning against eating United States salmon in half-pound tins.

Scots rate grant warning

By Jonathan Wills

Scottish local authorities were told yesterday that unless they took immediate steps to reduce overspending the Government would cut their rate support grants.

Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, said in Edinburgh that councils had over-budgeted for 1982-83 by £203m, 8.3 per cent of their total rate support grant allocation. Last year overspending of £180m was reduced to £120m after pressure form Mr Younger.

At a meeting with the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities the minister refused to say whether he would announce action against councils before the regional and island elections on May 6. But he did agree to consider representations from councils who could produce "compelling reasons" for their proposed overspending.

Mr Younger, whose powers to curb council spending go beyond those in England and Wales, prefers selective penalties to a cut across the board.

Sir Charles O'Halloran, Labour convener of Strathclyde Regional Council, said he feared that by naming individual authorities before the elections Mr Younger would try to coerce the electorate to his way of thinking.

Mr Grahame Spiers, secretary of the convention, said Mr Younger had agreed to make available the calculations on which he based his spending guidelines. He said the councils had provided detailed figures showing that £40m of their extra budgets were to cover inflation, but they had never been allowed to see how Mr Younger did his sums.

Confrontation between the Scottish Office and the convention over the rate support grant is now inevitable. Yesterday's meeting showed that a complete breakdown had been averted, but the council's still believe, that Mr Younger's strict control of spending has profoundly altered the constitutional relationship between local and central government.

Fewer overseas student applications

By Diana Geddes
Education Correspondent

Applications from United Kingdom and other EEC students for university entry next autumn are up by 6 per cent at a time when universities are having to cut back sharply on their home intake, while applications from overseas students, whom universities want to attract in greater numbers, are down by a fifth.

Figures released by the Universities Central Council on Admissions today show that 167,500 home and other EEC students had applied by March 31, the closing date.

Some 5,000 late applications are expected, but the council expects that the final figures will still show a 6 per cent increase on last year.

As in previous years the increase in the number of women applicants, 7 per cent this year, is greater than that for men, 4 per cent this year.

The 20 per cent fall in overseas applicants comes after a 35 per cent decline last year. It is impossible to predict how this year's drop in applications will affect admissions, however. Last year the number of overseas students admitted remained the same as in the previous year, despite fewer applications.

The dwindling of overseas applicants probably explains why substantial decreases in applications have been recorded in the four main engineering subjects, chemical, civil, electrical and mechanical. There were also substantial decreases in applications for law, veterinary studies and technology combined with other subjects.

Policy unit head chosen

By Our Political Editor

Mr Ferdinand Mount, the political writer, is to be head of the Prime Minister's policy unit at Downing Street in succession to Mr John Hoskyns, who leaves at the end of this month.

Mr Mount, aged 42, has been political correspondent of the Spectator since 1977 and is a former member of the Conservative Research Department, where he specialized in Home Office affairs and in health and social security.

He has also been chief leader writer of the Daily Mail, and since 1980 has written a column for the London evening paper, The Standard.

The small policy unit, established when the Government was formed in May, 1979, has the task of briefing the Prime Minister on issues that she is likely to face. Its members work closely with the Central Policy Review Staff (CPRS), but whereas the CPRS makes detailed studies of policy the unit establishes objectives for the Government in a few areas and analyses policy options against them.

Mr Ferdinand Mount: To advise Mrs Thatcher

Its members also work closely with Professor Alan Walters, the Prime Minister's personal economic adviser, but he is not part of the team.

£5bn 'lost opportunity'

By Our Political Editor

Sir Ian Gilmour, who is the most vocal among Conservative critics of the Government's economic policies, last night welcomed the pospects of a further decline in inflation but said the news that the public sector borrowing requirement in 1981-82 was £2bn lower than expected at the ime of the Budget was startling.

"It confirms yet again the unwisdom of turning the PSBR into a totem pole.

Apart from anything else, the totem pole is highly moveable", Sir Ian said.

Speaking at Great Missenden, Buckinghamshire, he said there was a more important message in the figures. The need to increase output and lower unemployment by a selective expansionary package had long been apparent.

Unexpected defeat for Portisch

By Our Chess Correspondent

The sensation of the eighth round of the Phillips and Drew King's chess tournament at County Hall, London, yesterday, was Portisch's defeat at the hands of Jonathan Mestel, the young English master.

In the early part of the game the Hungarian grandmaster seemed to be well placed, but he was outplayed by Mestel in some middle game complications and resigned on the 32nd move.

This was Portisch's first loss in the event, but he is nevertheless still leading with six points, a point ahead of the Swedish grandmaster Ulf Andersson who drew a brief game in this round with Spassky, the former world champion, in 14 moves.

Another short game was that between Tony Miles and the American grandmaster, Larry Christiansen, in which the English grandmaster showed how formidable a player he could be by beating his opponent in 22 moves.

The scores at the end of round eight are: Portisch 6, Andersson 5, Miles, Nunn, Spassky and Speelman 4½, Karpov 4 and one adjourned, Ljubojevic and Mestel 3½, Geller, Seirawan and Timman 3 and one adjourned, Christiansen and Short 2½.

Results in round eight: Miles 1, Christiansen 0, Veresov opening 22 moves; Speelman ½, Short ½, Q.P. queen's indian defence 14; Andersson ½ Spassky ½, queen's gambit Decline 14; Mestel 1, Portisch 0, Sicilian def 33; Geller adjourned against Seirawan, French def 43, Timman ½; Nunn ½, Pirc def 88, Ljubojevic ½, Karpov ½, Ruy Lopez 38.

In an adjourned game from round six, Mestel drew with Nunn in 51 moves.

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GLC told to put its house in order

TRANSPORT

The Transport (Lonon) Act 1969 (Amendment) Bill would clarify the law currently in confusion and prevent major damage being done to London Transport and London's economy by excessively high fares, Mr Douglas Jay (Wandsworth, Battersea, North, Lab) said in the Commons when moving the second reading of his Bill.

The Bill did not enforce a particular transport policy of level of fares. It retained the principle that London Transport must balance current revenue and expenditure as far as was practicable. It made clear beyond further legal doubt that for this purpose grants from the Greater London Council might be counted as revenue by London Transport.

The Bill provided for the GLC to make grants towards the current expenses of the London Transport Executive where such grants appeared to the council to be required to provide of secure the provision of such public passenger transport services as best met the needs for the time being of Greater London.

The Bill assumed a grant would be made by central government, but left the question of the amount of grants to be decided by the two elected public authorities concerned — the GLC and central government. That was a reasonable and democratic arrangement.

The alternative was legal muddle — because legal advisers had different views on what the recent Law Lords' judgment meant — and greater damage being done to London Transport.

The law lords judgment required London Transport to do something which was commercially impossible — balancing revenue and costs without counting the grants as revenue — which meant worse services, prohibitive fare levels, less investment, less employment and a vicious decline of London Transport.

It meant fares would not only increase 100 per cent this year, but go on increasing.

The cut in fares in October, 1981, caused a rise in passenger journeys by about 11 per cent on the buses and 7 per cent on the underground. The doubling of fares on March 21 had already meant a loss in productivity.

The cost of the average domestic ratepayer of the reduced fares was less per week than the cost of a gallon of petrol.

Mr Reginald Eyre Under Secretary of State for Transport said that the recent GLC advertising campaign on this issue had been based on distortion, misrepresentation, and suppression of the truth and was a scandalous misuse of public funds.

The Bill did not say what the level of support was to be and how it was to be paid. It did not clarify the situation nor say how the costs would be met. If the GLC's low fares policy had continued, it would have meant a continued rise in the excessive rate burden, ratepaying old age pensioners financing low fares for all with no benefit to themselves, and the cost by 1984-85 would have ben £400m per annum.

Two-thirds of London's rates were born by industry and commerce, which had no local vote and whose prosperity was vital.

Rushing into instant legislation to turn the clock back — and the GLC advertisements associated with this Bill made clear that was the aim — was no solution. Nor was it a solution to bring forward this Bill, which contained all the seeds of furture contention and litigation.

The right and practical way to proceed was, as Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Transport, had asked the GLC to do: to serve properly and responsibly the interests of passengers, ratepayers and those in the transport industries.

After the chaos and incompetence of the past 10 months, the time was right for a major change in the way transport matters in the capital were organized and the Government would be setting out the ways ideas were developing for a much better organized system and taking a close look at the proposals which the Select Committee on Transport would shortly put forward.

After the disasters, failures and illegality of the so-called experiment of recent months, the situation could not be left as it was. Mr Howell had made it clear to the GLC that if it would not put its own house in order, the Government would have to act to impose its own solution.

The Bill was talked out.

□ The Food and Drugs (Amendment) Bill which substanstially increases the penalties for offences under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, mainly for the illegal sale of food unfit for human consumption, passed the report stage and was read the third time.

During the report stage two Government new clauses were withdrawn after protests from MPs on both sides. One would allow a person accused of an offence to rely on the defence of due diligence - that he had taken all reasonable precautions to avoid the commission of an offence.

The second provided that if the due diligence defence involved an allegation that the offence was committed by another person, the person charged must give information about the other person to the prosecutor.

□ The Children's Home Bill which tightens the control which local authorioties can exercise over private commercially-run homes for children, was read the third time.

The Deer (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill which amends the law on the shooting and control of deer was read a second time without debate.

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Science report

Tourism 'threat to nature reserves'

by Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

Demands for stronger safeguards for wildlife in Britain sometimes obscure the fact ahat similar needs are felt in the rest of Europe. Studies by the Council of Europe, of which 21 countries are members, have shown that 45 per cent of reptile species and 24 per cent of butterflies are in danger of extinction.

The European dimension in concern for wildlife was illustrated by Dr Peter Baum, an ecologist in the environment and nature resources division of the council, when he spoke at a conference arranged by the administrators of the Peak District national park. The park is one of the few areas in Europe to hold the council's diploma for nature reserves of the highest quality, and Dr Baum had come to renew it.

He feared that public opinion was turning against national parks, and that those founded in the 1960s and 1970s could not be founded today. But Dr Baum clearly remained a strong adherent of the rigorous view that wild habitats needed to be allowed to survive in peace in their own right.

He rejected the subsidiary role in which pieces of unspoiled countryside were called nature reserves and allowed to remain as long as they did not interfere with the demands of industry.

No site could be expected to survive simultaneously as a true nature reserve and as a tourist attraction, he went on. The short view that reserves had to serve immediate human demands for outdoor recreation [illegible]

Woman's son called by prosecution

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Rioters put police lives in danger, court told

From Arthur Osman
Mold, Clwyd

The Toxteth riots last summer were beyond the comprehension and experience of any police officer in the country, an inspector said at Mold Crown Court yesterday.

Inspector Gerald O'Connell, of Merseyside Police, said that equipment proved totally inadequate and he described in graphic detail events which he said "will be with me to my dying day".

He said the lives of officers had often been put at risk, with 781 officers £3m of property damaged by fire, and £500,000 of property stolen.

Inspector O'Connell, who was giving evidence for the Crown, said that police tactics had evolved during the riots and he agreed in cross examination that it would not be an exagerration to describe them as battle conditions.

He was in command of a mobile support unit of 30 men and the Crown was alleged that one of the unit's vehicles hit a disabled man, causing him injuries from which he died, as it drove over wasteland to disperse a mob throwing petrol bombs and missiles.

The driver, Police Constable James Keenan, aged 30, of Grassmere Avenue, Prescost, and the officer in command of the vehicle Sergeant Keith Andrew Wilkinson, aged 34, of Buttermere Close, Maghull, have denied unlawfully killing Mr David Moore, aged 23, of Wavertree, Liverpool, who died on July 29 last. Both accused are Merseyside officers.

The Crown has claimed that the vehicle's speed and lack of observation by the officers amounted to negligence of the highest and most blameworthy degree. The officers have said they drove on to the wasteland to disperse the mob to help 20 officers under attack.

Earlier Inspector O'Connell described the riot of July 27, the night before Mr Moore, who he said had a number of convictions, was hit by the vehicle.

He said that three of his vehiles were lured to a fire in Granby Street, Toxteth, where firemen were being stoned. They were attacked by a howling mob and nearly overwhelmed, but managed to drive away.

It was no coincidence,he continued that within five minutes lamp post had been smashed to the ground and live electric cables were lying on the ground to ignite petrol." Horrendous things happened that night and there is one incident which will be with me to my dying day".

In the pitch dark caused by the smashing of the lamps they found a railway sleeper in the road spiked with iron to break axles and puncture tyres.They had to stop.

"Out of the darkness I saw a crowd of black youths wearing masks running at us carrying a telegraph pole as a battering ram. I half screamed at the driver to put his foot down and, God blees him, he did.

"We hit the sleeper so hard we bounced high in the air and this diverted the battering ram, which hit the top of the vehicle. If it had gone through one of the side windows and an officer's head had been there his head would have gone out of th vehicle at the end of the battering ram."

In answer to Mr William Macpherson, QC, for the prosecution, Inspector O'Connell asked he had breifed his men with the previous night's experiences in mind. He told them that officers had not got carte blanche to use vehicles as tactical weapons

Mr Rob Rohrer, northern editor of the New Statesman, said in evidence that he has seen a police van drive on to the waste ground where the accident happened. He said he has made a note at 10.51pm which read: "Two petrol bombs...gang from Faulkner Street flats from the shadows crept up on them (police). One van drove straight through the mounds at them.

The hearing continues on Monday.

Labour plan for strict check on security services

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Stiff curbs on the independence of the swcurity sevices, the Special Branch as well as M16 and M15, are planned for inclusion in a Labour Party policy document which will provide the framework for the next election manifesto.

Policy proposals delivered to the national executive's home policy committee, which is chaired by Mr Wedgwood Benn, suggest complete parliamentary accountability for the security services.

That would require the legal establishment of the services by Act of Parliament and an annual security services report, which would be debatable by the Commons, drawn-up by the Home Sectretary for the security service, and the Foreign Secretary for the secret intelligence service.

The document demands the creation of a Commons select committe to scrutinize mail interception and telephone tapping warrants, as well as financial accountability to the Commons Committee fo Public Accounts.

It is also proposed that D Notices should be abolished, because they are a form of unofficial censorship, and that there should be a concerted system of scrutiny for the Special Branch, with mandatory reports by chief constables on the "local security presence", and an annual report by the Home Secretary on the national strength and scope of the Special Branch.

The document, which has been drafted by the party's security service study group, also puts forward the view that Special Branch officers, like other police ranks, should be allowed to join the union of their choice.

The group says: "The next Labour government will ensure through a series of measures that our security services become accountable to democraic institutions".

A new security Act would define terms such as "subversion", which is said to be too ambiguous a term of reference for the security services, and would also introduce the concept of "wilful espionage".

An interception of communications Act "would permit interception in certain clearly-defined circumstances, regulate both issuing of warrants and the informing of those who have been under surveillance".

The paper says that it would be necessary to regulate the private as well as the public sector. "Hence the next Labour government must seriously comsider establishing a privae security registration council to oversee and license private security companies."

Court plea on coloured jurors fails

From Our Correspondent
York

Judge Christopher Beaumont yesterday dismissed a barrister's appeal to increase the number of coloured jurors in the trial of 12 Asians which is to start next week at Leeds Crown Court. The men — all from Bradford — face charges of making explosive substances.

Mr Sibghat Kadri, for the defence, applied to York Crown Court for the original list of 75 jury summonses sent to the Leeds area to be scrapped because it included only six coloured people. He asked that a new set of 75 summonses be issued to include people living in the largely Asian communities in Bradford.

He told the court: "An all-white jury could not be seen to understand the sentiments and fears of Asian people in Bradford. We do not want the Asian community to say that this jury is fixed. If people say the fixing started before the trial it will be a very sad day for England. It is a cardinal principle of English law that justice must be seen to be done."

However, Judge Beaumont said it was beyond his power before the trial to interfere in any way with the constitution of the jury panel. In exceptional circumstances a judge could ask an individual juror to stand down, but he had not heard of a judge asking 75 jurors to do so.

McNee defends race details in crime figures

By Lucy Hodges

The sole intent of Scotland Yard's decision to publish the racial origins of people committing street crimes in London was to expose an important social issue to public debate, according to Sir David Mcnee, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner.

In a letter to the London region of the National Association of Community Relations Councils Sir David says that by publishing the statistics he hoped to secure the whole-hearted support of all law-abiding citizens, black and white, in tackling street crime.

"It was not a prelude to the renewal of 'hard-line policing', whatever that means, nor was it an attempt to undermine the recommendations of Lord Scarman", he writes.

Burglar is jailed for life

Edward Wilkinson, aged 32 a burglar whose gang netted more than £500,000 from a series of raids on country houses, was sentenced to life imprisonment yesterday.

Judge Marcus Anwyl-Davies, QC at St Albans Crown Court, Hertfordshire, said that he was "gravely concerned" at the repetition of the offences, involving elderly victims.

"Four people were tied up. Mercifully, there happened to have been no great injury physically, although I have no doubt that the incidents are unlikely to be erased from their minds", he said.

"I bear in mind that no weapon was used and that some sort of help was given to the victims, certainly by alerting outsiders. The vast sums of money involved I cannot ignore."

Earlier this week three other members of the gang, from east London, were sentenced to a total of 22 years, imprisonment. All four had admitted robbery and burglary charges. In six months they had stripped the homes of the titled and wealthy of antiques, furniture and jewelry , the court was told.

Willkinson, now of Mitcheson Road, Islington, north London, had been given notice of an extended sentence. In 1974 he received a 15-year sentence for manslaughter after a householder died from injuries received during a burglary Wilkinson was involved in. The sentence was reduced to 10 years on appeal.

Mr Peter Upward for Wilkinson, said that the man had spent the whole of his life in one form of custody or another. He suffered a stroke while in prison in 1978, which left him paralysed.

While people were tied up, it does seem that he made some effort to make their embarrassment and anguish less bad than this court has come to see in so many different cases". Mr Upward said.



Miss Kerry Dean, a student nurse, among National Health Service demonstrators protesting against low pay outside the Department of Health yesterday.

More control urged on social work

By Pat Healy, Social Services Correspondent

Social workers are needed as never before, according to a government-sponsored inquiry into their role and tasks. But their clients need better safeguards, social work practice itself should be subject to more control and there should be a fundamental shift towards working more with local communities.

The inquiry team's report, rushed out yesterday a month ahead of official publication because of leaks in the social work press, says that social workers are carrying out essential tasks which would not otherwise be done. Contrary to popular belief, most social workers are not young, do have experience and are generally appreciated by the people they help.

But clients rights should be formalized and strengthened partly because the disadvantages that brought them to social workers in the first place may mean they are in a poor position to fight for their rights.

The report recommends that clients should be allowed to participate in decisions affecting them, as far as possible, receive information about those decisions, be given a channel of appeal and have access to a second opinion.

But the report rejects the idea of a general social work council, proposed by the British Association of Social Workers and endorsed by the British Medical Association but opposed by both employers and trade unions. The idea, the report says, is premature and there is no public demand for it.

It proposes instead that there should be immediate discussions on the establishment of an independent inspectorate to monitor the practice of social workers and their employing agencies.

Mr Terry Bamford, chairman of the British Association commented caustically yesterday that there was neither public demand for that idea nor any support for it within the social work profession.

The main proposal of the inquiry team, led by Mr Peter Barclay, a lawyer and chairman of the National Institute of Social Work, is that social work should shift towards a community-based approach.

That idea provoked a minority report from Professor Robert Pinker, professor of social work studies at the London School of Economics, as well as widespread scepticism from interested organizations

Mr Barclay explained yesterday that the idea would involve social workers supporting the widespread network of informal careers in the community, families, neighbours and friends who already performed most of the "social work" in Britain. That would mean helping to prevent casualties occurring and closer links with ordinary communities.

Professor Pinker rejected the idea on the ground that "There is nothing fundamentally wrong with the ship in which we sail today."

FALKLANDS CRISIS

Invincible's pilots stand by to scramble

From John Witherow on board HMS *Invincible* April 23

Harrier squadrons on board the two carriers HMS Invincible and HMS Hermes have gone on full alert to intercept Argentine surveillance aircraft as the Royal Navy task force moves close to the Falkland Islands.

A Harrier is now prepared to take off within minutes of the first radar contact with an unidentified aircraft and rapidly intercept it at more than 100 miles from the fleet. This alert followed the interception by an armed Harrier from Hermes of an Argentine Air Force Boeing 707 on Wednesday.

Within hours of the alert coming into operation a fighter from the Invincible intercepted a second Boeing 707 carrying out long range surveillance at night and the fact that this was repeated within 18 hours indicates this form of reconnaissance will become increasingly frequent as the fleet comes within range of Argentine surveillance aircraft.

Lieutenant Brian Haigh, aged 32, who was the first pilot on the Invincible to be scrambled to meet a 707, stayed close to it for a few *minutes before it headed off* in a south-westerly direction. "I went alongside him with my lights flashing so he knew I was there", he said. "I then went underneath him and after about four minutes of this he rolled. I think he *was looking for me* so I popped up again beside him."

He added that the 707, of which the Argentine is said to have three, did not overfly the fleet.

Pilots on 24-hour alert now take it in turns to sit strapped in their cockpits on the flightdecks waiting to be scrambled. "It is very quiet in there waiting for an hour or so", Lieutenant Commander Robin Kent, the senior pilot, said. "You just look at the sky".

The Harriers, armed with sidewinder missiles and cannon, are also flying hundreds of miles ahead of the task force on reconnaissance while Sea King helicopters are searching the ocean around the fleet for potentially hostile submarines. As a result of this possible threat, the Invincible and other ships have brought themselves to a full readiness for combat.

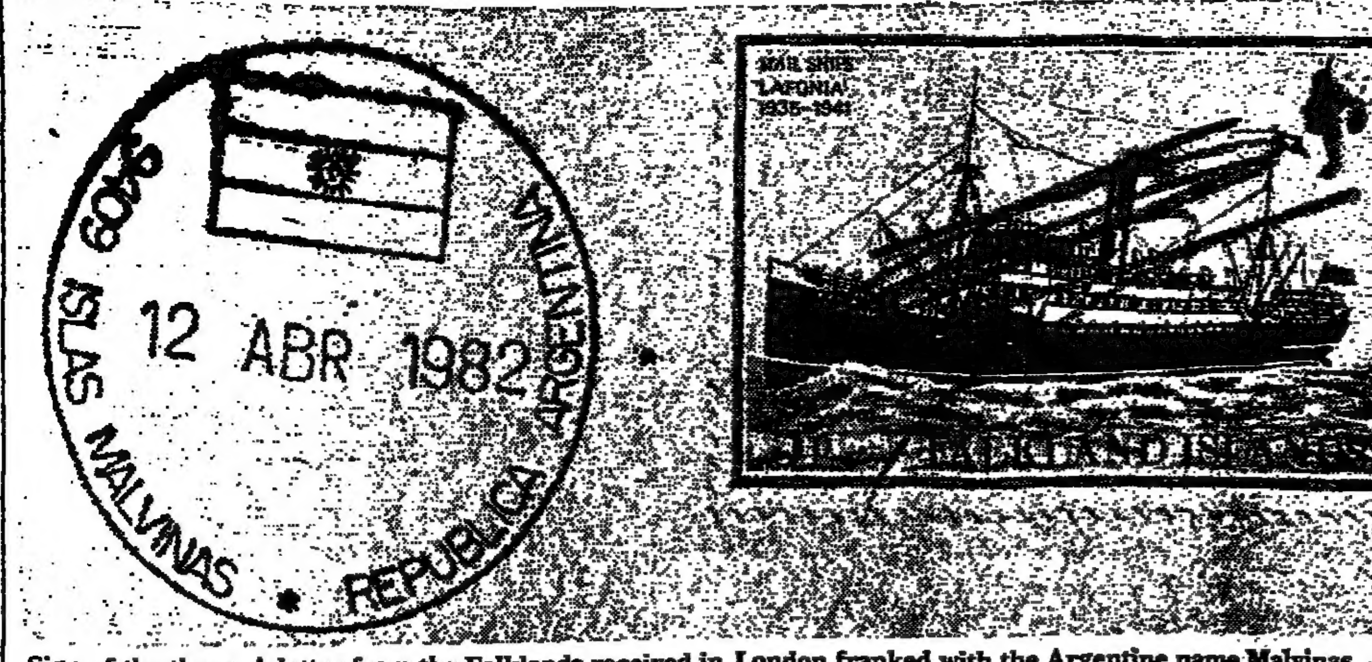
The 19,500-ton carrier carrying 1,000 men, entered defence stations today and is likely to maintain them for some considerable time.

Not only does this mean the crew is ready for combat at any time through a complicated system of watches, but it means the ship becomes a considerabley more austere unit prepared for any possibility.

A notice entitled "War orders" has appeared which details that all top secret documents are to be kept in weighted bags presumably for disposal if there is any *likelihood of capture* by the enemy. Other non-essential material is to be destroyed daily.

The notice outlines how prisoners of war should be treated and a programme on the closed-circuit television have *the conditions of the* Geneva convention.

The crew was told to deal with any prisoners in a humane way and carry out basic searches, interrogations and guarding. Although it adds that the Invincible is unsuitable for rescuing people from the sea, some ladders are to be made available for this possibility. In the event that any crew members are taken prisoner, it tells them to give only their name, rank, number and date of birth in response to any questions.



Sign of the times: A letter from the Falklands received in London franked with the Argentine name Malvinas.

Luce welcomes inquiry

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

Mr Richard Luce, who resigned from the Foreign Office with Lord Carrington and Mr Humphrey Atkins because of the Falklands invasion, said last night that he supported very strongly the Prime Minister's decision to hold a review of events leading up to the invasion.

Mr Luce, speaking at West Rustington, in Sussex, said he thought it would be healthy for the nation to see whether any lessons could be learnt, and to set events of the last few weeks in perspective.

But to achieve this the review would need to cover all government departments concerned, examine how they discharged their responsibilities before the invasion, have access to all necessary papers, and be free to examine the problem in the perspective of the last 15 or 20 years.

Saying that it was in the public interest to seek the truth, Mr Luce added that he made no criticism of Foreign Office officials who were dedicated to the national interest and their public duty.

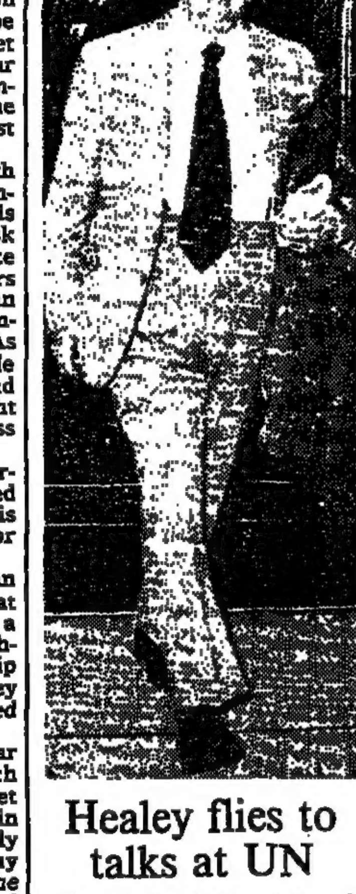
The Prime Minister told MPs on April 8 that there should be a review of how government departments discharged their responsibilities before the invasion, and that the Government would consult members of other parties about the form it should take.

There is no pressure for a decision until the Falklands crisis is resolved, but opinion at *Westminster* seems to favour the task being given to a small group of privy councillors

Recognition is growing among MPs that they as well as the public have much to learn about the vulnerability of distant possessions, and that Conservative and Labour governments must bear some blame for the failure to forestall the present danger.

If the public is to be reassured, several MPs believe, then no active politician who has held reponsibility for the conduct of foreign policy in recent years can be eligible.

Mr Luce, narrowing the field for recruitment further, said the review must be carried out by "public figures with no vested interest, who would clearly be regarded as beyond reproach by Parliament and the public".





Healey flies to talks at UN

Mr Denis Healey, Labour's foreign affairs spokesman and the strongest proponent of United Nations involvement in the Falklands crisis, met Señor Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the Secretary-General, *yesterday (Zoriana* Pysariwsky writes from New York).

Before leaving Heathrow (above), Mr Healey said British and American ideas for a peaceful settlement were poles apart. The answer was *immediate involvement* of the United Nations.

Although the United Nations has a number of contingency plans for dealing with the crisis, officials were making clear that they would not embark on any mediation effort against the wishes of Mrs Thatcher's Government.

Invasion attacked

Brazilian newspapers are backing Britain

From Patrick Knight, São Paulo, April 23

The serious Brazilian press has been almost unanimous in condemning the Argentine invasion of the *Falkland* Islands and has devoted series of leading articles on the matter.

The *O Estado do S Paulo*, the leading São Paulo newspaper said earlier this week: "politically, the invasion of *the Falklands* was a gesture of despair. It was as if, prompted by the delicate internal situation, the Galtieri regime considered that the challenge to the British Government would serve to recreate internal unity and confer on Argentina the role of leader of the South American nations, against the traditional symbol of imperialism and colonialism, which is the Union Jack.

Some oportunistic support from countries seeking pretexts for resolving their own frontier problems outside the law masked the first error of strategic evaluation. This was to imagine that Great Britain would not react, and also that the Soviet Union would not seek to take advantage of the conflict to try to establish itself in South America.

In the face of these errors, General Galtieri sought to correct them with another, by demanding that the organization of American States should give collective support to Argentina under the terms of the reciprocal assistance agreement, hoping that Latin America would demonstrate in solidarity even if it was the Argentine Government which had been guilty of aggression, and Great Britain was only upholding rights trampled on by an act of force."

On the same day, the Rio de Janeiro newspaper *Jornal do Brasil*—stated: "The invocation of the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance by Argentina opens a new and equally confused stage in this absurd conflict. The treaty was drawn up in a very different epoch from our own, and with very different aims. In that year of 1947, the world was divided into two clear blocks, and the treaty aimed to protect the democratic alliance which had won the war against Nazism.

"The treaty has *now* been invoked against a country of the Atlantic community, which until yesterday was sufficiently friendly with Argentina to provide it with a large part of the foreign credits which were needed. *The justification* is more difficult because in this case the aggressor country is Argentina. Under no circumstances does the treaty oblige any of its members to honour it with an infringement of the principle of peaceful solution *of problems*.

It is possible that Argentina has obtained some political support in meetings of foreign ministers, but this will not be translated into an endorsement of the use of force. What will the Argentine *Government* do *then?*

"The present Argentine leadership threw itself into the direction of a conflict. To reverse this, would certainly signify the loss of power. In these circumstances *caudillos (leaders) usually persist to the bitter end, indifferent to the suffering which they impose on the nation," the Jornal do Brasil* concluded.

☐ Brasilia: Señhor Joao Havelange, president of the International Football Federation (FIFA), said today he did not believe the Falkland dispute would harm the World Cup finals (Reuter reports). "I can't believe in any boycott", he told a local television reporter in Brasilia. He said FIFA did not get involved in the political affairs of its members.

Britons told of risks in Argentina

By Our Foreign Staff

The British Government last night intensified its warnings to British citizens to leave Argentina if at all possible. A statement broadcast by the BBC World Service said that, now that the British naval task force was approaching the area of the Falkland Islands, a period of increasing tension and risk could lie ahead. British citizens who had not acted upon earlier warnings should "consider again whether they should take an early opportunity of leaving the country by normal commercial means", the statement added.

The new warning followed the receipt of death threats by British citizens in South America from what appeared to be an Argentine terrorist organization. The Foreign Office said that it was taking seriously threats of reprisals against British families if war broke out between Britain and Argentina.

The threats, which were contained in letters sent by an organization which called itself the Armed Group for the Defence of the Malvinas Islands, were received by British citizens in Montivideo, the capital of Uruguay.

Churches call for UN peace role

☐ The British Council of *Churches* urged *the* Government not to enter into a war with Argentina before all possible ways of averting armed conflict had been explored in the United Nations.

It said the Security Council *should be reconvened*, with Britain proposing that non-military sanctions be imposed against Argentina if it refuses to implement the United Nations resolution calling on it to withdraw from the Falklands. If this fails to get the Argentine troops out, a United Nations force should undertake to enforce the resolution, the council said.

It recognized that sovereignty over the Falklands rested with Britain, and deplored the invasion.

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Company liquidated

☐ Argentina's biggest finance company has been put into liquidation, the Argentine Central Bank announced. *The bank said* that the existing deposits of the company, Rio Paraná Compañia Financiera, would be guaranteed, as would any new deposits equivalent to \$112m (£64m) on December 31 last year, nearly twice as *much as its nearest rival*, Azopardo.

The Central Bank intervened in Rio Paraná's operations last Friday because of irregularities in the company's administration before Argentina's occupation of the Falkland Islands.

Central Bank sources said that, since the intervention was announced, there had been a run on Rio Paraná's deposits. The bank would probably try to sell Rio Paraná to another finance company, they added.

Two of Argentina's largest finance companies, Finsur and Credibono, collapsed a year ago.

Tass attacks Britain

☐ The Russians said that the threat of a British invasion was growing, and accused Mrs Thatcher of disregarding world public opinion by counting on military force in the conflict (Michael Binyon writed from Moscow).

A Tass report from London said that concern was growing in Britain over the militaristic policy of the Thatcher Government, which it said was leading the country towards a military confrontation. The agency also reported from New York that a plan for military operations had been worked out, beginning with a troop landing on South Georgia, and the subsequent conversion of the airstrip to take British Vulcan bombers.

Tass said that, under the cover of America's declared neutrality, attempts were being made to prepare a political cover for Britain, and justify to public opinion the aggression that Britain was now planning. The American press had, according to the agency, been encouraged to launch an unbridled anti-Argentine campaign, and attempts were being made to put "gross pressure" on Latin American countries.

View from across the Andes

Chile's distrust of its neighbour reawakened

From Ted Simon, Santiago

Unlike in Buenos Aires, where temperatures run higher and much hot air blows in from the Atlantic, autumn in Santiago is clear, dry and cool. In this least Latin of the Latin-American countries, attitudes tend to conform with the climate. The Italianate posturing and bravado of the Argentines is anathema to most Chileans who, at the best of times, regard the antics of their trans-Andean neighbours with a concession bordering on contempt.

However, this is far from being the best of times. Chile is down by a severe and continuing economic depression with no relief in sight. Unemployment is high, *now reaching deep into the* middle classes. The country's resources are low.

The political and cultural life of Chile is virtually paralysed under the heavy-handed and increasingly patriarchal dictatorship of General Augusto Pinochet, and now Argentina has precipitated a crisis which threatens Chile from one end to the other of its immensely long border.

In their hearts, whatever their other allegiances, Chileans feel that Argentina cannot be trusted. The more thoughtful of them see a country with a disastrous military history whose Army is motivated by hurt pride, and a country with an equally disastrous economic history whose Government is motivated by frustration and the need for a common cause.

When the Army and Government are one, under the leadership of an apparently Mussolini-like general, they have reason to fear the worst.

"This is, without doubt, the most serious event for our part of the world since the Second World War", Señor Claudio Orrego, a former candidate for the presidency of the Christian Democratic Party, said. "all politicians in Chile are 'former' now", he explained wrily.

He is full of praise for the prompt and forceful British reaction to the Argentine invasion and says Mrs Thatcher's "Churchillian" phrases are still ringing in his ears.

Still he hopes for a peaceful solution to the crisis. Whether Argentina wins or loses, he believes that an armed conflict can only be dangerous to Chile. "And it would be suicidal for our future to become involved on Britain's side", he said. "Our relations with Argentina would never recover. And then, you have to consider the possibility of a secret pact between Argentina and Peru."

The words "secret pact" have an ominous ring in Chile. Peru, on Chile's northern border, has been a potentially hostile neighbour *since the war of 1879. Then it* emerged accidentally that Peru and Argentina had signed a secret pact which brought Argenina automatically into the war on Peru's side. Many influential Chileans suspect that such a *secret alliance may exist* today, and view Peru's present vigorous alignment with Argentina with grave suspicion.

Chileans also have good practical reasons to fear and distust Argentina. In the far South, the two countries have been squabbling for decades over possession of the various islands which give access to the potential riches of Antartica.

Because of this Chileans are quite aware of the political and economic imperatives which have driven President Galtieri to his military adventure in the Falklands. Argentina's ultimate moral or geographical rights to the islands have ceased to be the issue. Most Chileans are concerned where General Galtieri's adventurism may take him next.

Government (which is to say President Pinochet), remains inscrutable. The only military figure of consequence to have disociated himself from the Pinochet junta is Señor Gustavo Leigh, the former air force commander.

However he views a militant Argentina with great alarm. "It may be dangerous", he said, "but if it were my decision, I would help the British. I would allow them the use of our islands and channels, surreptitiously to shelter and refit their ships."

It was possible that Britain could recover the Falklands by force. "If the British attack rapidly and vigorously at the first possible moment, I feel sure they can in the islands. The Argentines do not have the quality as fighters to reist. But if Britain merely blockades the islands and waits for Argentina to begotiate, then I fear she will lose her chance."

Israel and Egypt find way out of border dispute

From Our Correspondent, Cairo, April 23

Representatives of the United States, Egypt and Israel today reached tentative agreement on a procedure to resolve the long-standing border dispute and said they expected to complete it on Sunday in time for the final withdrawal of Israeli troops from Sinail

If agreement is announced on Sunday, it will not be the definitive demarcation line between Israel and Egypt, but an agreemnet on how to agree on the final border lines.

No details of the talks were released, but Dr Boutros Ghali, Egypt's Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, said new ideas had been reached and were subject to approval by the political leaderships in Egypt and Israel.

Mr Walter Stoessel, the United States Deputy Secretary of State, described the seven-hour negotiations in Cairo as excellent progress. For a diplomat who has been most conservative in his statements since he started the shuttle between Cairo and Jerusalem nine days ago, Mr Stoessel further volunteered: "We hope to have a solution by noon Sunday."

Israel's delegate, Mr David Kimche, the Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, said progress was made and expressed the belief that "all will be finished Sunday". Dr Ghali was as positive: "I think we will reach agreement".

American sources close to Mr Stoessel say they are seeking to bring Egypt and Israel to a final agreement in an attempt to give more credibility to the peace pact and thus draw moderate countries like Jordan into peace talks with Israel.

At the meeting today Egypt and the United States had hoped the Israeli delegation would be headed by the Foreign Minister, Mr Yitzhak Shamir, but Mr Kimche came instead and the Egyptians reportedly saw this as an attempt to delay decision making. Mr Kimche came with Mr Stoessel from Jeru*salem on the same aircraft.*

The seven-hour talks were punctuated by a one-hour meeting between all three delegations. The conference was held in the grand ballroom of the Salaam (Peace) Hotel, near Cairo airport. The full session was preceded and followed by bilateral meetings in the rooms of the delegations.

It is not known how the three parties will announce their decision on Sunday, or whether they will meet on Saturday, the *Sabbath*. A senior Egyptian delegate said it was likely the Egyptians and Israelis would consult by telephone before sunset on Friday and hold off until sunset on Saturday.

Paris bomb aftermath

Unknown enemy besieges French

From Robert Fisk, Beirut, April 23

The French Paratroopers were young and wore bright red berets. But they did not welcome visitors to the yellow stone French embassy in Beirut this morning. Instead their grenades pinned to their battledress pockets, they pointed their rifles ostentatiously at the stomach of each new arrival until the bespectacled security guard had vouchsafed each visitor's identity.

Sandbags were piled around the iron doors while receptionists peered from behind bullet-proof screens. The tricolour still snapped confidently in the compound square but the French embassy was under siege.

No one, of course, was saying just who might be planning to attack the mission. The Press Attaché was away. The Defence Attaché was too busy to talk to *journalists. Outside* the gates, Lebanon's Squad 16 security police stood ready theoretically, to defend France from its enemies.

Thirty-five French troops from the United Nations force in Lebanon have been *seconded to the embassy to* protect the ambassador and his staff from unknown terrorists. "Carlos" is a name that French diplomats have mentioned these past few days. But in Beirut no one suggests publicly just *now that the French fear the* Syrians.

In Damascus, there is much-publicized consternation on the part of the Syrians at France's decision to expel two Syrian embassy officials after yesterday's car *bombing in Paris. The* reciprocal expulsion of two French diplomats from Damascus was said by the state broadcasting service to be an unfortunate necessity.

Syria, the radio said, was not responsible for the bomb *that killed a woman and* wounded many pedestrians near the Champs Elysées. The Syrians did not do such things.

But the Syrian authorities also went on to condemn this week's French television film *which implied, none too* subtly, that the Syrians had ordered the murder of the French ambassador to Beirut last September. M Loius Delamare was shot dead in his chauffeur-driven car in West Beirut while travelling home *to lunch. His assassins* were never identified and — this being Lebanon — were never found.

In fact, the word in Beirut after M Delamare's death was that a Lebanese Shia militia group had killed him on instructions from the Iranian Government which was angry at France's decision to sell Mirage jet fighters to President Saddam Husain's regime in Iraq. Syria, of course, is an ally of Iran, but this scarcely proves Syria's part in M Delamare's murder.

However, rumour also now has it in the Lebanese capital that the French television film on M Delamare's murder was made with the assistance of M Guy Cavallo, one of the French Embassy's communications officers in Beirut. M Cavallo was murdered at his Beirut apartment just one week ago, together with his young wife who was six months pregnant.

As usual, the assassins were not apprehended, nor does anyone here expect that they will be. Thus, it seems, French suspicion of Syrian involvement in the Ambassador's murder grew — even if the Syrians had little or nothing to do with it.

But the authorities in Damascus clearly sensed that there was something doubly suspicious about the French television documentary that held them culpable for M Delamare's assassination.

The Syrian state radio claimed today that the programme was to have been broadcast from Paris last Sunday — *three days after* M Cavallo's murder — but had been inexplicably delayed until later in the week.

The Syrians, however, had no comment on the Arabic-language and pro-Iraqi magazine that appeared to be the target *for the* Paris car-bomb. *Al Watan al-Arabi* has long espoused the Iraqi Baathist cause but its latest issue caused raised eyebrows even in Beirut. For it contained a long interview with a leader of the outlawed Syrian Muslin Brotherhood movement in which he threatened to assassinate President Hafez el Assad of Syria. Whether the French authorities knew this before they expelled the two Syrian diplomats remains to be seen.

In the *meantime, the only* palpable effect of French fears in Lebanon has been made manifest in the United Nations logistics unit at Naqqura which has transferred 35 of its men to the embassy.

They drove up to the mission in Beirut from southern Lebanon in the United Nations uniforms and blue berets but changed into French red paratroopers' hats once they entered the compound.

The French Government effected this metamorphosis with the approval of the United Nations in New York, thus avoiding the impression of turning United Nations troops here into just another Lebanese militia.

☐ *Paris: President Mitter*rand called in security chiefs to plan tactics to combat the terrorist campaign by Syrian agents against Iraq which has now involved France

M Gaston Defferre, the Interior Minister, said that the meeting, attended by security service chiefs and an army general, amounted to a "little council of war" after the car bomb in Paris which killed a woman and injured 63.

Damascus has denied involvement, but diplomats said French officials believed the blast was part of a Syrian-inspired campaign to "punish" France for its activities in the Middle East.

Minister escapes jail term

From Moshe Brilliant Tel Aviv, April 23

A judge today gave a Cabinet Minister convicted of larceny a suspended prison sentence plus a fine of £100 and strongly attached a system that had tempted the official to dip into a charity fund.

Judge Victoria Ostrovsky-Kohn said Mr Aharon Abuhatzeira, then mayor of Ramle, may have been misguided because the Ministry of Interior had for many years granted funds to registered charity societies without controlling their dispersement or laying down proper criteria.

The moment the judge left the bench after pronouncing sentence, a female relative of the Moroccan-born minister ululated ecstatically from the back of the court room. Spectators and jurists were patently astonished by the leniency. The minister's elated suppoters, who had been kept out of the courthouse by poilce as a precaution against a riot, danced and sang outside and lifted their hero to their shoulders when he appeared.

Mr Abuhatzeira, the Minister of Labour, Welfare and Immigrants Absorption, said he remained determined to appeal against his conviction to the High Court and to resign from the Cabinet. His designated successor, Mr Aharon Uzzan, said he would restore the Cabinet seat to the party leader as soon as he won his appeal.

Mr Abuhastzeira was sentenced to 30 months jail for paying the family grocer and depositing money in an election fund with cheques from a charity fund he had headed in 1975. He was also given sentences of 18 months and three months on counts of breaching trust. All sentences were suspended for two years. Mr Moshe Gabbai, treasurer of the charity fund, received a two months suspended sentence.

Judge Ostrovsky-Kohn said she was being lenient because "justice would not be seen to be done if after years of absolutely no supervision over charity funds, the law would be applied maximally *in the first case*

UN warning on Lebanon

New York.—A demand for the restoration of the ceasefire in Lebanon was made here by the president of the Security Council, who also gave a warning against any recurrence of armed atacks in the area. (Zoriana Pysakiwsky writes).

The statement by Mr Kamanda wa Kamanda of Zaire came after hours of late night consultations on the best way for the council to prevent more tension in Lebanon. It is not give details of measures it might take. The United States had objected to singling out Israel as a violator of the nine-month old ceasefire without giving the Palestine Liberation Organization some share of the blame.

OAU fails to end Sahara deadlock

From Charles Harrison, Nairobi, April 23

The latest effort of the Organization of African Unity to solve a political deadlock which has paralysed its work — a two-day meeting of three African presidents and ministers from another six countries — ended inconclusively here today.

The OAU remains split by the admission to its membership last February of the self-styled Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic (SADR), formed by the Algerian-backed Polisario Movement which for years has been fighting a guerrilla war against Moroccan forces in the former Spanish colony of the Western Sahara.

Morocco claims the area, but has agreed to an OAU proposal for a ceasefire and a referendum in the Western Sahara. However, deadlock between the two groups has blocked any progress on implementig the OAU proposals.

The SADR was admitted to OAU membership *on orders* of Mr Edem Kodjo, the OAU Secretary-General, who comes from Togo, without consulting the present OAU chairman, President Daniel Arap Moi of Kenya. The result os that al OAU meetings for the *last* two months have been deadlocked by boycotts by one or another of the opposing groups.

A special OAU summit conference is the obvious way to unscramble this situation. But no OAU state can afford to host such a summit (the OAU rules are that a state proposing a summit must host and pay for it).

The OAU Bureau, comprising nine states, convened here yesterday to discuss what President Moi called the most serious crisis to face the OAU in its 19-year history. The meeting ended today with a communique that does not mention the SADR, but says the three presidents (from Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda) and ministers from Congo, The Gambia, Lesotho, Upper Volta, Libya and Botswana reviewed the problems now facing the OAU.

The leaders urge African states to strive to overcome their present differences and say the next regular summit, to be held in Tripoli in August, will provide a forum for tackling the present problems, although any state is free to call for a special summit in the meantime.

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Minister escapes jail term

From Moshe Bri... Tel Aviv, April 23

The Yard's style seen in Indiana

Batesville, Indiana. — Inspector Jeff Blamore, of Scotland Yard, got his man when he leapt from a police car and tackled a suspected lorry thief near the Ohio state line.

The inspector was in Batesville as part of the security force travelling with Sir Harold Wilson who is giving a series of lectures.

Returning to London, he was being driven to Cincinnati airport when information about the stolen lorry was broadcast on the radio.

Jail for niece of Minister

Johannesburg.— Mrs Hannchen Fitzgerald, aged 27, the niece of M Piet Koornof, South African Minister of Cooperation and Development, and one of more than a dozen white anti-apartheid activists detained late last year, pleaded guilty to violating security laws.

She was given an effective one-month jail sentence of 21 months with 20 months suspended for five years.

F16s return to service

Washington.—The Pentagon said that 109 or the 240 F16 fightes grounded because of possible wing wear were ready to fly again. A spokesman said work was needed on 35 others and 16 of these were grounded. The remaining 96 had not yet been inspected. Air Force officials said they expected the entire fleet of F16s would be ready to fly in two or three days.

Makarios aide imprisoned

Nicosia.—Mr Miltiades Christodoulou, the Cypriot Govenment's spokesman for 17 years, was jailed for six months for forgery and misappropriation of funds.

The 62-year-old former director of the Public Information Office, who resigned after police investigations began last year, pleaded guilty. Mr Christodoulou was a close adviser to the late President Makarios.

Anti-abortion plea to MPs



Mother Teresa, who in Tokyo urged Japanese MPs to lead their country towards peace and joy and away from abortions — which are legal in Japan and are sharply increasing among unmarried women.

Fighter deal

Delhi. — India has agreed to buy the French Mirage 2000 combat aircraft, Mr Venkataraman, the Defence Minister, told the Indian Parliament. He declined to give details of the deal or say how many aircraft were involved but said a letter of intent had been signed.

Springbok flour bombers guilty

Auckland. Two men who buzzed and flour-bombed a rugby match between New Zealand and South Africa last year were found guilty of committing a criminal nuisance and flying below 1,000ft over a populated area. The pilot of the Cessna 172 aircraft, Mark Jones, aged 33, and his passenger, Grant Albet Cole, aged 20, admitted the protest against the controversial tour by The Springboks. They were remanded on bail for sentencing.

Dissident sentenced

Stockholm. — An Estonian dissident, Dr Endel Rose, has been sentenced to a year in a labour camp after appeals for strikes in the Soviet Republic of Estonia last year, an Estonian exile source said. He was found guilty of spreading slanderous statements about the Soviet Union.

US flag burnt

Seoul. — University students burnt a United States flag in an anti-American demonstration at the Kangwon national university in Chunchon, 60 miles north-east of Seoul. Four student leaders were arrested.

Hunger strike threat

Moscow. — Four Soviet citizens, denied permission to join their families in the West, said they would stage an indefinite hunger strike at an international religious peace conference to be held here next month.

US prevails on Salvador to pick moderate

From Paul Ellman, Washington, April 23

The Reagan Administration today appeared to be on the verge of achieving at least partial success in its efforts to secure a Government in El Salvador acceptable to the United States congress.

Following strong pressure from the American Embassy in San Salvador, and the personal intervention of Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, right-wing leaders have agreed with the Christian Democrats to name a moderate figure to serve as interim President for the next year.

Considered almost certain to fill the post is Señor Alvaro Magaña president of a big, semi-private bank and a lawyer with strong liberal leanings.

Señor Magaña's name was one of three suggested by the Salvadorean military leadership, in its efforts to end the political impasse in El Salvador since elections on March 28 produced no clear majority for any party.

The Christian Democrats, the biggest single party with 24 of the 60 seats in the Constituent Assembly, were initially isolated by the parties of the right, which together controlled a majority, and said that they planned to govern alone.

The right, however, has spoit over the question of who will serve as interim President until elections are held next year. The leading party, the Nationalist Republican Alliance (Arena), has said that it is unhappy with Señor Magaña, whom one party official described as "beyound socialism", but its principal partner, the National Conciliation Party, has agreed to side with the Christian Democrats over his appointment.

The agreement to back Señor Magaña for the interim presidency is seen as indicating that the Christian Democrats will be able to secure some major posts in the next Cabinet, the composition of which is still being negotiated.

The American Ambassador, Mr Deane Hinton, as well as Mr Haig, have publically warned that exclusion of the Christian Democrats from the Government would probably cause Congress to cut off military aid to El Salvador.

The right, however, has used its majority in the Constituent assembly to award itself all 10 parliamentary offices. The post of Speaker (president) went to Major Roberto D'Aubuisson, the leader of Arena, who was once described by a former American Ambassador to El Salvador as a "pathological killer".

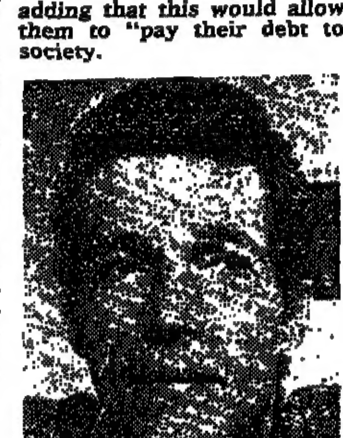
□ San Salvador: Major Roberto D'Aubuisson has implicitly offered an amnesty to left-wing guerrillas engaged in a two-year struggle for power (AFP reports).

Speaking after his election as president of the Constituent Assembly, Major D'Aubuisson called on the guerrillas to lay down their arms, pledging to remain open to dialogue with everybody in the country.

The Major won 35 of 60 votes cast in the ballot to head the assembly, which will shape the new regime that replaces the junta which has ryuled for the past two-and-a-half years.

In an interview, Major D'Aubuisson said he hoped a strong Government coud open talks with the left-wing opposition, and maybe eventually with the guerrillas.

He proposed "symbolic sentences" for the guerrillas, adding that this would allow them to "pay their debt to society.



Major D'Aubuisson: Prepared to talk to guerrillas

Edam Première: Bearers carrying cheese in Alkmaar on the opening day of the Dutch town's cheese market season. Holland is the world's leading exporter of cheese.

Differences remain over islands

From John Best Ottawa, April 23

Differences between France and Canada over the waters surrounding the French islands of St Pierre and Miquelon apeared no closer to a solution today after talks between M Pierre Mauroy, the French Prime Minister, and Canadian leaders.

However, both sides seemed determined not to let the dispute hamper the growth of closer relations between the two countries, especially in the economic field.

M Mauroy is on a five-day visit to Canada, during which trade and industrial cooperation is emerging as a central theme. Among subjects he discussed yesterday with M Pierre Trudeau the Canadian Prime Minister, Canadian ministers were French participation in the new European airliner project, the Airbus.

M Mauroy had what Mr Mark MacGuigan, the Canadian External Affairs Minister, called a "slight discussion" with Canadian ministers about the islands, which lie 15 miles off the south coast of Newfoundland.

France is claiming a 200-mile economic zone seaward from the islands, and this conflicts with Canada's own 200-mile zone, proclaimed five years ago. The boundary between the islands and Newfoundland has been settled.

At dinner last night, M Mauroy and Mr Trudeau put aside their differences over maritime boundaries and offered toasts to the future of relations between their countries frequently troubled in the past by France's special relationship with Quebec.

M Mauroy said the sentiments which united France with French-speaking Canadians, especially those in Quebec, "should not in any way taint our relations with Canada." Mr Trudeau said: "We are arriving at a less romantic and more realistic vision in our relations."

Pinochet is still in the saddle

From Florencia Varas. Santiago, April 23

Without any big suprises or abrupt changes, President Pinochet announced tonight a new cabinet which reaffirmed the government's existing policies. The most significant missing names were those of Señor Sergio de Castro (Finance Minister) and Señor Sergio Fernandez, the Interior Minister.

General Enrique Montero, an Air Force lawyer and one of the longest-serving government officials, leads the new Cabinet, as Interior Minister. In 1973, he swore in the members of the military junta, after general Pinchet's coup until now he has been the deputy Interior Minister.

The appointment of General Montero as chief of the cabinet ended speculation that President Pinochet's might reduce with this new cabinet, or that he might be obliged to yield to pressmens from within the armed forces. General Montero has been one of President Pinochet's trustiest colleagues.

Eight Ministers have ben replaced—Interior Economy, Finance, Education, Public Works, Agriculture, Labour and Foreing Relations, Defence, Justice, Health, Mining and Transport Have ven ratified in thier posts.

The full Cabinet list is as follows:

Interior: General Enrique Montero Marx; Foreign Relations: Señor René Rojas Galdames; Finance: Señor Sergio de la Cuadra; Economy: General Luis Danas; Defence: General Washington Carrasco; Education: Admiral Rigoberto Cruz; Labour: Señor Máximo Silva; Mines: Señor Hernán Felipe Errazuriz; Agriculture: Señor Jorge Prado; National Estates: General René Peri; Public Works: General Bruno Sievert; Justice: Dr Mónica Madariaga; Housing: General Roberto Guillard; Health: Rear-Admiral Hernán Rivera; National Planning: General Gastón Frez; Public Works and Reconstruction: Colonel Francisco Ramirez; Transport: General Caupolican Boisset; Chief of Presidential Staff: General Santiago Sinclair; Government General Secretary: General Julio Bravo; National Energy Commission: General Herman Brady.

Tories under fire

Unions join battle on Bill

From Ian Murray The Hague, April 23

The British Government's proposed trade union legislation represents an attack on the rights of trade unionists throughout the world, Mr Georges Debunne, the newly-elected president of the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC), said here today.

In his inaugural address to the confederation's fourth congress, the Belgian trade union leader said that it was essential for trade unionists in other countries to show their solidarity in the fight against any government attempts to limit union rights nationally. These attempts represented a danger to those same rights in other countries.

He said later that he hoped the confederation could help the British TUC in its opposition to the legislation. This could well take the form initially of a direct approach to British ministers to ask the Government to think again as well as making representations to other governments to use their influence on the British government to change its mind.

Mr Debunne at the same time showed he was not entirely happy with the TUC's anti-Common Market stance. He found it curious that while being a loyal member of the European trade union Movement the TUC had a tendency to want Britain to come out of the Community.

This double standard he felt, made it difficult for the European idea to penetrate to the shop floor in Britain. He admitted in his speech that the confederation had lost touch with grass roots opinion in the trade union movement.

The main work of the week-long conference was to agree a 20-page resolution on how best to face the economic crisis in Europe. "Governments in the council must recognize that to overcome their own national problems European approaches are also required", the resolution says. In what looks like a direct dig at Britain it continues: "This not a question of forgoing national interest but of recognizing that enhanced cooperation is now required to pursue them."

□ Munich: West Germany's Social Democrat congress has been trying to frighten voters who hanker for a Conservative government by holding out horror pictures of what is happening in Britain. (Patricia Clough writes).

Delegates met today with the warning by Herr Willy Brandt, the party chairman, ringing in their ears: "Our people must not come under the rod of those who offer it drastic neo-conservative cures. In other countries" — and everyone knew where he meant — "they have plunged whole sections of the working class into a new poverty."

Without mentioning Britain by name, Herr Helmut Schmidt, the Chancellor, declared that the result of neo-conservative economic recipes elsewhere had been devastating. They had markedly increased unemployment without achieving growth or stability.

Schmidt's olive branch to pacifists

From Patricia Clough, Munich, April 23

Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, today urgently tried to patch up a last-minute rift with the pacifist wing at the Social Democrat Party congress which had threatened to undo a week of efforts for reconciliation.

The Chancellor had unwittingly upset many delegates late last night by implying that they were playing the Soviet Union's game and their views would make war more likely. He stated that if peace movement leaders succeeded in preventing the deploymnent of new Nato missiles "the Soviet Union would have achieved its most important goal."

He went on to quote a warning by Professor Carl-Friedrich von Weizsäcker, a leading physicist and one of West Germany's most eminent thinkers, that a departure from Nato's missile strategy would be a serious blow to the alliance, destroy the basis for negotiations and could increase the possibility of war later on.

Loud boos rose from all quarters at this last remark and Herr Willy Pieczky, the leader of the pacifist minded Young Socialists, took the microphone to say he and others felt personally offended by the Chancellor's remarks.

Herr Schmidt rose later to try to smooth ruffled feelings, saying no offence had been intended. But evidently overnight he had realized that with one blow he could have ruined the atmosphere of mutual respect which both sides had worked hard to build up during the Congress.

Both party leaders and pacifists had taken pains to emphasize that they realized the other side had honourable intentions and wanted peace as much as they; the dispute was merely about the best way to secure it.

So while the party was finishing off internal business today the Chancellor asked to make an unscheduled personal declaration and said he "regretted that any delegate should feel insulted

"I do not want to suggest that the serious spokesmen of the peace movement are in the service of the Soviet Union," he said. He had merely wanted to make clear the consequences of such a blow for Nato.

The congress last night voted by a clear majority to contine its support for the Nato policy and to reject proposals for a freeze on its missile deployment plans during the American-Soviet negotiations.

Blue moon runs rings round the Sun

From Michael Hamlyn New York, April 23

Those things that are supposed to happen once in a blue moon stand a very good chance of coming true shortly. A massive cloud of volcanic debris swept into the stratosphere is drifting there and expected to turn the Moon blue, the twilight purple and to create green rings round the sun.

The cloud, which now stretches across the Pacific, from Mexico as far as Saudi Arabia, is also expected to have a significant effect on the weather. The cloud is 15 miles above the Earth's surface and is two miles thick.

According to Dr Brian Toon, a National Aeronautics and Space Administration (Nasa) scientist, the cloud could lower the average temperature beneath it by 1°F. "Changes in temperature could range up to 10°F in any given area", he said.

The debris comes from the eruption of the Mexican volcano Mount Chinchonal on March 29. The cloud is bigger than any such phenomenon since 1912, and is considerably bigger than the cloud left by the eruption of Mount St Helens.

The drop in temperature will probably mean that the winter frosts will arrive in the northern hemisphere earlier than usual. While hovering over the Pacific the cloud has already turned the deep cerulean of the sky over Hawaii a milky and inadequate blue.

A Nasa pilot flying a U2 reconnaissance aircraft discovered the cloud.

□ Mexico City: An Army patrol has recovered the bones of 30 people killed in the eruption on March 29 of the Chinchonal volcano in south-east Mexico, official sources said here. This brings to 52 the official number of dead. General Felix Galvan the Defence Minister, said last week that 2,755 people were still missing. — AFP.

Poland delays picking its fans for World Cup

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw, April 23

This summer's World Cup football contest is proving something of a headache for the Polish Government. Now that Poland has qualified for the competition, a number of fans will have to be allowed to travel to Spain to cheer on the national team but somehow the authorities have to stop people defecting.

Since martial law, according to official accounts, 210 sailors have defected as have 11 members of the Mazowsze dance group and three ambassadors. In addition, several hundred Poles abroad at the time of the declaration of martial law four months ago, when the borders were closed, have not returned home.

The passport procedures for leaving the country are still extremely complex and only a trickle of people have been allowed in the West.

However, the martial law authorities have come up with what they believe to be a fail-safe system, designed to weed out possible potential defectors.First, according to tourist officials only 1,000 people will be allowed to travel to Spain although they admit that more than 100,000 have expressed a wish to attend the contest.

Secondly, the costs will be extremely high.

□Geneva: About 137,000 Poles now in Western Europe, half the total there, want to stay in the West indefinitely or permanently, a spokesman for the United Nations High Commissioner for refugees, said (AP reports). Asylum had been requested by 47,000 while another 90,000 had asked for residency permits or an extension of their visitors' visa.

□ Vienna: Herr Erwin Lanc, Austrian Interior Minister, said the United States had agreed to help Austria resolve its Polish refugee problem by taking 1,000 Poles every month (Reuter reports).

Texan bidder walks out of 'Daily News' talks

From Our Own Correspondent New York, April 23

The Texan millionaire who has been negotiating to buy the Daily News in New York broke off negotiations with the unions last night, three days before the deadline for agreement expires.

Mr Edward Silver, the lawyer representing Mr Joseph Allbritton, stalked away from the negotiating table saying the unions were not convinced of the urgency of their situation.

"I am of the opinion that unless and until the unions realize that the Daily News is shutting down there is no possibility of negotiations permitting Allbritton to buy the Daily News", said Mr Theodore Kheel, the lawyer for the unions, accused Mr Allbritton of giving the impression that his demands for a two-year pay freeze were non-negotiable.

He said that Mr Allbritton was trying to buy the paper at no cost which was exactly what people did when they held up aircraft.

Mr Rupert Murdoch, publisher of the New York Post, rival of the News, is hovering in the wings waiting to see if there is an opportunity for him. Mr Bertram Powers, the head of the printers' union, said that he had telephoned Mr Murdoch and asked him to make a formal offer for the News. Mr Murdoch told him that he would make an offer "as good as Allbritton's or better", if the offer lapsed.

The Chicago Tribune Company, which ownes the News, has been remarkably unwilling, however, to entertain an offer from Mr Murdoch so far. It has described Mr Allbritton as the buyer of last resort.

This morning the Post suggests that the Chicago company will be unable to afford to close it down. Under new technology contracts negotiated some time ago the printers were given guarantees of lifetime employment. They would undoubtedly sue to ensure that these guarantees were honoured if the paper closed.

Sweeping win in Malaysia

From David Watts, Kuala Lumpur, April 23

Datuk Seri Dr Mahadhir Mohamad opened a new era in Malaysian politics today with an overwhelming electoral victory for his National Front coalition.

With 110 seats for the front and only 11 for the opposition parties he has clearly convinced the electorate he can deliver his promises of clean, smooth goverment while turning the primary focus from Europe to the Far East and the Third World.

More than 30 seats remain to be declared from Sabah and Sarawak but it seems unlikely that they will return results dissimilar to the peninsula.

The National Front coalition effectively swamped the fundamentalist Muslim Partai Islam Semalaysia (PAS) which had been expected to recover some seats from its disastrous showing in the elections of 1978.

Though many of the votes were close, the party was only able to recover a single seat in the national Parliament for the northern state of Kelantan to leave its standing the same as in 1978, with five seats. Its president was unseated.

Hardest hit of the opposition parties was the basically Chinese Democratic Action Party which lost its chairman in a head-on fight with the Malaysian Chinese Association, which along with the Malaysian Indian Congress makes up the National Front. The Democratic Action Party saw its representation slide from 16 to six in the new Parliament in a significant shift of support towards the National Front.

Law Report April 24 1982 **Queen's Bench Division**

Exemplary damages for police assault

White and Another v Metropolitan Police Commissioner

Before Mr Justice Mars-Jones

[Judgment delivered April 23]

Two plaintiffs were awarded £20,000 exemplary damages each in their action against the Metropolitan Police Commissioner for false imprisonment, assault and malicious prosecution for what in his Lordship's view constituted oppressive, arbitrary or unconstitutional behaviour by the police. The plaintiffs were also awarded aggravated damages of £6,500 and £4,500 respectively as well as agreed special damages of £196.84p each.

The plaintiffs, David and Lucille White, of 150 Lordship Road, Stoke Newington, London, claimed damages including exemplary damages for (a) false imprisonment by Police Constable M. K. Peak, PC Vincent Rosser, PC George Lazenby, Sergeant Fred Cummins and WPC Denise Appleton who were acting under the direction and control of the Metropolitan Police Commissioner on September 16, 1976 at Stoke Newington police station; (b) assault by the officers or any of them and other officers unknown at the plaintiffs' home and at the police station; and (c) malicious prosecution by the officers on September 16, 1976.

The basis of the claim was that police officers entered the plaintiffs' home unlawfully, or if under the authority of a search warrant they failed to show the warrant or to explain their presence in the house; that they unlawfully assaulted the plaintiffs, seized them without lawful excuse or authority falsely imprisoning them for about four or five hours and charged them with assaulting police officers in the execution of their duty.

At their trial on indictment one year later the plaintiffs were acquitted on all charges.

Mr K H Zucker, QC and Mrs Myrtle Mbatha for the plaintiffs; Mr Laurence Marshall for the commissioner.

MR JUSTICE MARS-JONES, delivering a reserved judgment, said that at about 12.30 am on September 16, 1976 Police Sergeant Cummins was given a warrant to search the plaintiffs' home for stolen goods and police in the area were asked to keep the house under casual observation and to report any activity.

Ignorant of these steps, the plaintiffs were in bed asleep, as were their three young daughters. Two of their sons, Dennis and Carlton White, were in the basement with two friends.

At about 12.45 am the two friends went to leave by the front door. As they opened the door they saw PC Holland and WPC Appleton approaching the house.

The evidence for the plaintiffs was that the police officers entered the house and when asked by Dennis White whether they had a warrant they said nothing.

If that account of their entry was correct, it constituted a trespass, since the common law rule provided that a search warrant had to be in the physical possesssion of the person seeking to execute it.

The defendant sought to justify the officers' presence by stating that the officers entered not to execute the warrant but in pursuance of their powers under section 2 of the Criminal Law Act 1967 upon reasonable suspicion that a burglary or theft was taking place at the house, which the officers alleged they did not realise until later was the house in respect of which the warrant had been obtained and upon which they had been asked to keep observation.

It was said that the suspicious occurrence leading the officers to enter the house was the sight of three coloured youths coming out of the front door of the house at that time of night. His Lordship could not accept that.

Before entering the house, the two officers had reported some activity and shortly thereafter Sgt Cummins arrived, calling other officers to assist him.

Mrs White heard a noise and went to investigate. She was dressed only in a nightdress with nothing on her feet. According to her evidence she saw a number of police officers in the passage and tried to get past them because she saw police hitting her son Dennis with a truncheon.

No doubt the unexplained presence of so many police officers and the violence afforded to her son made Mrs White hysterical but his Lordship was satisfied that she did not assault WPC Appleton or Sgt Cummins as alleged.

His Lordship accepted the evidence, supported by independent medical evidence, that she was struck on the head with a weapon. She was then dragged outside into the back of a police car.

His Lordship further accepted that Dennis White was intentionally struck on the head by a truncheon. He was unconscious at the police station.

If Mrs White attempted to resist arrest or to prevent the police from fighting with her son, such resistance was justified because the police entry was unlawful and in any event the degree of force used by the police was excessive and out of all proportion with any violence offered to them.

David White then came down the stairs. According to his evidence, which his Lordship believed, he was assaulted by police officers receiving injuries which kept him from work for nine weeks. No doubt he was excited when he saw the police and resisted as best he could.

On a most favourable view of their behaviour the officers overreacted wildly and subjected Mr White to excessive, unreasonable and unnecessary force.

On a less charitable view they assaulted a defenceless man in his own home with a weapon of some kind and beat him up in a brutal and inhuman way with intent to inflict pain upon him.

On either view his arrest was unlawful. He was entitled to resist and protest at the unlawful invasion of police into his home.

The plaintiffs succeeded in all their claims.

The circumstances were unusual in the extreme. The police officers concerned showed no regard for human dignity. The plaintiffs were not even invited to get dressed before they were taken from their house. They were forced to leave their young daughters unattended at home which must have caused considerable anxiety — particularly to Mrs White.

The damage to the plaintiffs' reputation also had to be taken into account. They were not hardened criminals although they were treated as such.

It was clearly a case for the award of aggravated damages. For false imprisonment, the plaintiffs would be awarded aggravated damages of £1,000 each; for pain and suffering Mrs White would be awarded £1,000 and Mr White £3,000 as his injuries were more widespread.

It had been proved to his Lordship's satisfaction that the proceedings against the plaintiffs were initiated without reasonable and probable cause and from an improper motive.

The plaintiffs were prosecuted for offences which the relevant police witnesses knew they had not committed, knowing that their entry was illegal and that the violence to which they subjected the plaintiffs was either entirely uncalled for or grossly excessive.

And the prosecutions were brought in order to escape the consequences of their own wrongful acts. That was a monstrously wicked thing to do.

Such malicious prosecution also called for aggravated damages. For the distress, anxiety and damage to reputation which the prosecution caused the plaintiffs would be awarded £2,500 each.

In Rookes v Barnard ([1964] AC 1129) one of the categories for which exemplary damages could be awarded were cases of oppressive, arbitrary or unconstitutional acts by government servants. Police officers were servants of the government for this purpose and the case fell into the category where exemplary damages could and should be awarded.

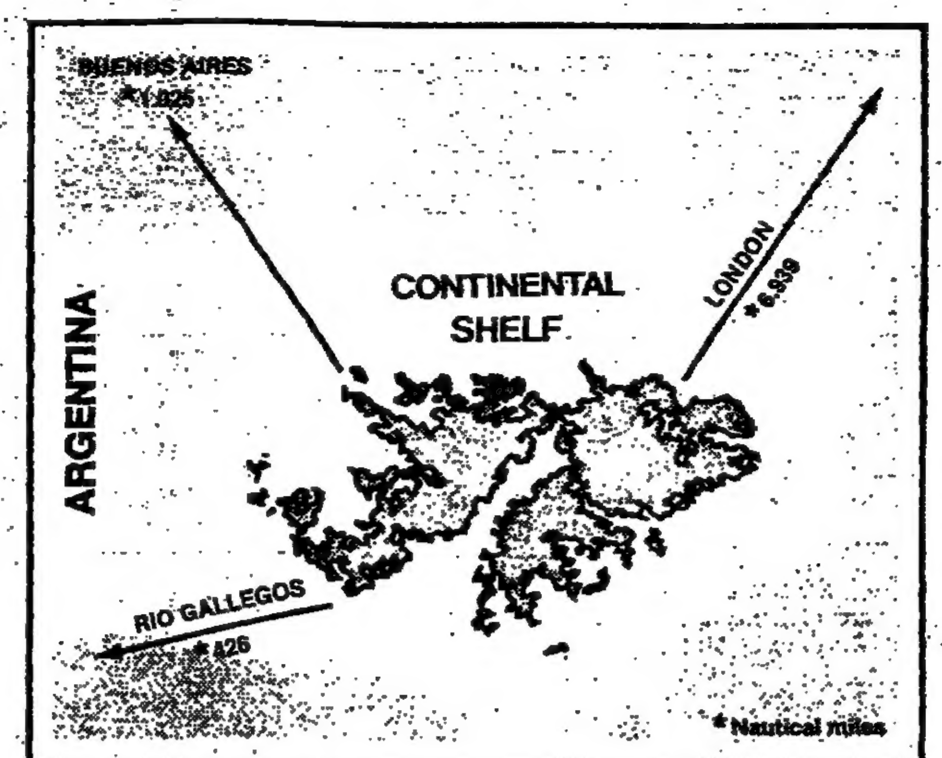
The shameful things called for punishment. Conduct of the kind in the present case could do gross damage to race relations.

His Lordship bore in mind the fact that he had already awarded aggravated damages to compensate the plaintiffs for the treatment which they had received, but in his judgment the defendant should also pay £20,000 to each of the plaintiffs by way of exemplary damages.

Solicitors: Sylvester Small & Co, Brixton, Mr R. E. T. Birch.

Blue moon runs rings round the Sun

Some facts you may want to know about the Malvinas and have probably never been told.



The Malvinas are a group of islands off the coast of Argentina.
The British call them the Falklands.
They were discovered on April 7, 1504 by the famous Florentine navigator and cartographer, Amerigo Vespucci.

Held by Spain from 1600 until 1811

Spain held legal rights to the Islands from January 24, 1600 until February 11, 1811. These rights were never formally disputed by any other nation during that period.

However, in the mid-1700's, "Squatters" from France and England enjoyed brief stays in the Islands. Frenchmen from St. Malo (hence the name "Malouines") settled there between 1764 and 1767, but left as a result of the enforcement of Article 6 of the "Pacto de Familia" between Spain and France.

The British moved into the Islands around 1765, were expelled by the Spaniards in February 1768, returned in 1771, and left again on May 20, 1774. Spain then placed the Islands under the jurisdiction of Buenos Aires.

Between 1774 and 1811, Spain appointed nine successive governors of the Malvinas. On March 18, 1811, the last of these governors, Gerardo Bondas, was instructed by his government to abandon the Islands.

Argentina became an independent nation in July 1816, taking over the territories formerly ruled by Spain from Buenos Aires.

The Malvinas remained unoccupied until 1820 when the government of Buenos Aires commissioned an American named David Jewitt to take them over. Jewitt had joined the Argentine Navy "to serve the great cause of American independence". He arrived in the Islands commanding the Argentine Frigate "Heroina" on November 2, 1820 and informed the Government of Buenos Aires that he had "taken possession of the Islands in the name of the country to which they belong by natural law."

In 1822 Luis Vernet, an entrepreneur from Hamburg, persuaded the Argentine government to grant him sealing and fishing rights. In 1829 Vernet was appointed Governor.

By 1830, the Malvinas were undisputably a part of Argentina.

1833: By Jingo, We've Done It

On January 2, 1833, the British occupied the Islands by force. They ordered the Argentines out and forbade them to return.

Until April 2, 1982, any Argentine visiting the Islands had to show his return ticket on arrival.

In 1851 the British granted the "Falkland Islands Company" a virtual monopolistic control over the Islands' economy.

This company profited handsomely until recently. Although its fortunes are certainly on the wane, it has always been a stumbling block in the negotiations between Britain and Argentina.

Second Class Citizens

The population of the Island is divided in two categories: The locals — who call themselves "Kelpers" after the seaweed that grows in abundance off-shore — and the British.

The latter includes governmental officials, high ranking officers of the Falkland Island Co., radio operators, etc.

The "Kelpers" have historically been excluded from the more relevant jobs, are not considered British citizens and are only allowed to visit Great Britain once every two years and for a short period of time.

The highest ranking authorities of the Archipelago are appointed directly by London.

The islanders are second class citizens. They have no right of "Abode" in Great Britain unless they are grandchildren of British citizens.

Dwindling Population

In 1937 nearly 3,000 people inhabited the Islands. Today less than 1,800 remain.

Many Islanders emigrated when they realized that there was little future left for them under British rule.

Britain has never shown an active interest in the Islands. There are no proper hospitals nor educational facilities. Many children from Malvinas have to attend school in Argentina and Uruguay. Many sick Islanders have been restored to health at hospitals in mainland Argentina.

A British ship arrives at the Islands once every three months.

The only airstrip on the Islands was built by Argentina which has, since 1972, maintained the only regular air service to and from the continent, thus providing the only real link between the Malvinas and the rest of the world.

All the fuel for the islands is supplied by the Argentine Petroleum company.

Argentine teachers have been working on the Islands for nearly ten years.

All of these efforts by Argentina were commended by the United Nations (Resolution 3160 of December 14, 1973).

Give Us—And Them—A Chance

Argentina has not regained the Islands to inflict injury or loss on the local inhabitants, nor to modify their lifestyle.

Argentina does not wish to force anyone to change their citizenship. After all, a community of 17,000 British subjects lives peacefully and has prospered in Argentina.

Argentina is willing to negotiate a special statute for the Islanders that will guarantee their interests and preserve their rights.

Furthermore, Argentina is willing to grant special rights and economic assistance that will create better conditions for the development of the economy and the welfare of the Islanders.

A Colony?—You Decide

Article 73 of the Charter of the United Nations establishes the obligation by member states administering non-autonomous territories to report regularly to the Secretary General on the conditions in these territories.

Complying with this obligation, Great Britain has periodically submitted reports on the Malvinas to the Secretary General, thus recognizing the colonial status of this territory.

On December 20, 1960, resolution 1514 (XV) of the general assembly established the need to put an immediate end to colonialism.

As a result of this resolution, a special committee was set up to deal with cases of de-colonization. This committee of 24 members included the Malvinas Islands in the list of territories to be de-colonized.

In 1965, the General Assembly issued resolution 2065 (XX) which declared the Malvinas a colony, acknowledged the dispute between Argentina and Great Britain and urged both governments to initiate negotiations without further delay.

Put It On The Back Burner, Chum

Britain has consistently stalled on the discussions. For the past 17 years almost no progress has been made.

British negotiators have delayed, procrastinated and refused to take decisions conducive to a reasonable agreement. Always polite, but hardly ever constructive.

By 1975 Argentina was losing its patience. The government recalled its Ambassador from London and asked the British Ambassador in Buenos Aires to leave.

However, two years later, talks were resumed at Argentina's initiative.

In 1981, at the United Nations, Argentina warned the United Kingdom that it would not allow the Malvinas to continue as a British Colony and asked for renewed and serious negotiations.

Argentina made a final diplomatic proposal in February of this year. It suggested that a permanent committee be set up to deal with the matter. The United Kingdom did not accept this proposal.

What Happened At Leith

Leith is a tiny settlement on the Island of San Pedro in the South Georgias, a dependancy of the Malvinas. It was once a whaling station. The factory is still there, obsolete and unused for many years.

An Argentine entrepreneur by the name of Constantino Davidoff was awarded a formal contract to dismantle the factory and sell it off as scrap. The British government was aware of this contract and requested Mr. Davidoff to furnish a list of the personnel that would be involved in the job. Mr. Davidoff complied with this request.

On arrival, Mr. Davidoff's group of 43 workmen hoisted the Argentine flag, which caused yet another diplomatic point of contention. But the British sent the HMS Endurance to evict the Argentines from the Island.

The Argentine Navy responded by sending the ship "Bahia Paraiso" — a vessel used for supplying its scientific bases in the Antarctic — to prevent the eviction.

On March 30, news from London indicated that the nuclear submarine Superb had left Gibraltar for the Antarctic together with a conventional submarine. London's Independent Television Network program "News at 10" said that, as well as the subs, a Royal Navy tanker was also on its way.

On April 2, Argentina reacted to this impending aggression by occupying the Malvinas, South Georgias and Sandwich Islands. The occupation of the islands was carried out without a single loss of life to the British. The Union Jack was lowered, neatly folded, and returned to the outgoing governor. The British then countered by sending a huge Naval force, including nuclear-powered submarines and two aircraft carriers. They proclaimed a 200-mile war zone around the Islands and threatened to "shoot first" at any Argentine ship found in this zone.

The threat of all out war is therefore the end result of a series of escalating responses to a relatively minor incident in the South Georgias.

After 17 fruitless years of negotiations to gain back what had been unfairly taken from her, Argentina finally decided to reclaim control of the Malvinas. The incident at Leith was simply the straw that broke the camel's back.

28 Million Argentines Recover the Malvinas

The question of the Malvinas has little or nothing to do with whatever government happens to be in power in Argentina.

Not all the Argentines share the same views on politics or on economics, much less on governments, but we all share the same view on the Malvinas. About this there should be no mistake. The Malvinas are a common national cause.

Sorry

Argentina does not bear a grudge against Britain or its people. There are over 100,000 Argentines of British descent in Argentina. Britain has investments worth billions of dollars in our country. Britain has played a significant role in the making of modern Argentina.

For almost 150 years, the Malvinas issue has embittered the relationship between two nations that have many things in common.

We are a peaceful people. We have not fought a war since the Mid-19th century, but we firmly believe that what is ours, is ours.

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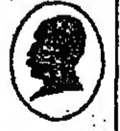
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Tuesday 27 April 8.00 pm	ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Kurt Masur (conductor) Cecile Ousset (piano) Mendelssohn Ov. A Midsummer Night's Dream; Shostakovich Symphony No. 1; Brahms Piano Concerto No. 2. £2, £3, £4, £5, £6, £7 RPO Ltd.
Wednesday 28 April 8.00 pm	LONDON MOZART PLAYERS Mark Elder (conductor) Clifford Curzon (piano) Haydn Symphony No 96 (Miracle) Mozart Piano Concerto, K.488; Bizet Symphony in C. £1.80, £2.60, £3.40, £4.30, £5, £6 Haydn-Mozart Society
Thursday 29 April 8.00 pm	ENGLISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA Maurizio Pollini (cond/pno) Mozart Symphony No. 25; Piano Concerto in F, K.459; Masonic Funeral Music, K.477; Piano Concerto in C minor, K.491. £4, £5, £6, £7 (ONLY) ECO & Mus. Soc.
Friday 30 April 8.00 pm & 2 May 3.15 pm	LONDON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Igor Markevitch (conductor) Prokofiev Symphony No. 1 (Classical); Debussy L'après-midi d'un faune; Falla The Three-Cornered Hat, Suite No. 2; Beethoven Symphony No. 7. £2, £3, £4, £5, £6, £7 LSO Ltd.
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Monday 3 May 8.00 pm	PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA Ambrosian Singers Michael Tilson Thomas (cond) Ivo Pogorelich (pno) Debussy Nocturnes; La Mer; Chopin Piano Conc No. 2; Andante Spianato & Grande Polonaise. £2.80, £3.50, £4.80, £5.50 (ONLY) Philharmonia Ltd.
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Sunday 25 April 3.00 pm	RAFAEL OROZCO (piano) Soler Five Sonatas; Beethoven Sonata in A flat, Op. 110; Chopin Ballade No. 1 in G minor, Op. 23; Three Etudes from Op. 10; Nocturne in E, Op. 62 No. 2; Scherzo No. 3 in C sharp minor. £1.20, £1.70, £2.30, £2.80, £3.50 Harrison/Parrott Ltd.
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Tuesday 27 April 7.45 pm	GERAINT JONES ORCHESTRA Geraint Jones (conductor) Mitsuko Shirai (soprano) Yolande Wrigley (piano) Mozart Symphony No. 21; Venti fulgura procellae; Divertimento in F, K.138; Piano Concerto in E flat, K.449. £2, £3, £4, £5 Kirckman Concert Society Ltd
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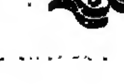
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MINEMA, 45 Knightsbridge. 235 4225/6. "PASSIONE D'AMORE" (AA). (English Subtitles) Daily: 3.00, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00.

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Itzhak Perlman proved himself a true Elgarian during last years' Proms with a superlative performance of the Violin Concerto. Now he has recorded it with a foreign team, adding further fuel to the argument that Elgar is an eminently exportable composer. I have never before heard a reading shaped with such infinitely loving care for each note; not even Menuhin can touch the heights which, by *sheer concentration*, Perlman achieves, emphasizing every gesture as if it were frozen in time, yet knitting the concerto into something more whole than I have previously conceived it to be. The digital recording captures the unique richness of Perlman's sound, setting him not too uncomfortably forward. Daniel Barenboim shapes the orchestral accompaniment with great understanding, but gives free reign to *his* customary rhapsodic impulses in the tutti passages without impairing the quality of the whole reading, at once sumptuous and tenacious. The Chicago Symphony Orchestra sound slightly muffled by their acoustic, but not seriously enough to distract anyone from adding this lovely disc to their collection.

In his new recording of Sibelius's fifth symphony, Simon Rattle fails to communicate a realization of the organic thought which lies behind the music. Perhaps it is the rigorous discipline he instils into the playing which denies the Philharmonia necessary scope. Certainly the *orchestra lacks its usual* flair, and neither does the recording, a digital one, have quite the bloom that one might expect, possibly something to do with the work's generally dark textures. It is an interpretation inclined to emphasize the classical design of the symphony, instead of allowing the music to unfold more naturally into those inspiring final pages. The fill-up, *Night-ride and Sunrise*, is likewise on the sterile side.

Recorded by a different team in the same Abbey Road studio, André Previn's reading of the complete *Daphnis et Chloe* music is a startling contrast. The rich scoring of the piece has provided engineers and performers alike with an opportunity which they have seized enthusiastically. In its time, *Daphnis* was slightly overshadowed by the scandal of *L'Aprés-midi d'un Faun*, which the Ballet Russe had staged a few days before in 1912. But Ravel took three years to compose the ballet, and the care of his work is reflected by orchestral colourings lavish enough to help one forgive its lack of a *Sacre*-like urgency or, for that matter, cogency. Where, though, in the orchestral suites there is always a compulsive excitement, I found that this recording had me yearning for the visual element, perhaps the result of Previn's tendency to revel in the more physical, brash passages, sometimes at the expense of the many static moments, poetical or ritual. But the LSO play magnificently, each department eager to add its own adrenalin-soaked virtuosity to the performance. The LSO Chorus, too, rises confidently to its substantial role as an atmospheric backdrop to this idyllic pastoral, a true neo-classical manifestation.

Now that we can listen with fresh ears to Berg's *Lulu* Suite, which before 1979 was the only way that any of the music in Act III of the opera could be heard at all, it is good that DG have reissued Abbado's stunning 1971 record. The Suite and the opera are both symmetrical pieces, sharing as their centrepiece the music which in the opera accompanies the film swiftly covering Lulu's journey from Paris to a squalid part of London. Abbado's Latin temperament seems curiously in tune with Berg's nightmare realities, and the singing of Margaret Price offers a tantalizing glimpse of two characters, Lulu herself and her lesbian admirer, the Countess Geschwitz. The aphoristic Op 4 Altenberg Songs, on "picture postcard" texts, and the Op 6 Orchestral Pieces complete a generous selection, made the more rewarding by the committed playing of the LSO, eager to explore the conflicts of ideals and reality which permeate Berg's luscious, frightening music.



Itzhak Perlman (right) with Daniel Barenboim: unique richness of sound

William Mann

Singing the praises

Mozart: Concert Arias for soprano. Kanawa/Gruberova/Berganza / Höbarth / Lake / V.Ch.O. / G. Fischer. Decca D 251 D5 (5 discs).
Handel: La Risurrezione. *Kirkby* / Kwella / Watkinson / Partridge / Thomas / Academy of Ancient Music / Hogwood. Oiseau-Lyre D 256 D 3 (3 discs).
Bach: Brandenburg Concertos 1-6. Academy of St Martin-in-the Fields / Marriner. Philips 6769 058 (2 discs); ▭ 7654 058.

Anybody who has explored Mozart's vocal music in depth will tell you that the best is to be found not only in the very famous operas but also in the so-called "concert arias" — which he composed, much of his life, either as concert items or for insertion into other men's operas. Some are still to be heard at concerts, and sometimes a singer devotes a record to a selection.

The Decca album listed above looks like the beginning of a complete set, master-minded by their record producer Christopher Raeburn, an authority on singers of the period, also writer of the exemplary album notes, perhaps chooser of the excellent singers who share the many arias, from the Queen of Night to the contralto register.

Where significant alternatives exist, or an aria was not orchestrated, this set obliges with both. Mozart wrote always for a particular singer; the arias are shared between five strongly contrasted female voices, each one of excellent quality.

The booklet does not contain information about Krisztina Laki or Elfriede Höbarth, names not well known, though they are the artistic equals of their famous colleagues. The musical pleasure is virtually unalloyed: spry, feeling orchestral accompaniment, a pleasant acoustic, a conductor attuned to every mood, the right singer for the right aria, and a few appoggiaturas even though Raeburn is known to disapprove of them. Kiri Te Kanawa is in eloquent form, but does not overshadow her admirable colleagues. I long to know more about Höbarth, a soprano surely destined for greatness, with a superb top register.

In the context of Mozart, I should mention Philips' reissues of the Clarinet Trio and Quintet, with Brymer (6570 573), the balance happily re-adjusted; and two string quintets by Arthur Grumiaux and colleagues, ripe and eloquent, almost too rich for my palate (6570 574).

In Italy Handel learnt the art and craft of Italian baroque music from the greatest experts. At the first performance of his oratorio *The Resurrection*, his orchestra was led by Corelli while Handel directed from the harpsichord. Christopher Hogwood has revived it, with a splendid selection of soloists familiar with baroque musical performance. Handsomely played, sung, directed and recorded as it is, the conventions (those of Italian *opera seria*, without costumes or acting) make a little of *La Risurrezione* go some way. I enjoyed listening to it, but I sandwiched it with Brandenburgs, rather as Handel played organ concertos between the "acts" of his much more interesting English oratorios.

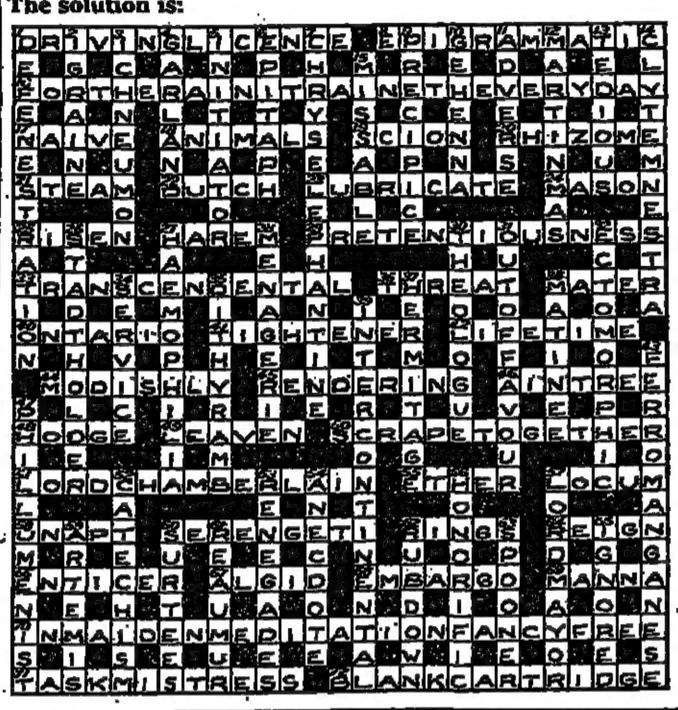
New complete sets of Bach's Brandenburg Concertos are, it seems, always to be with us. Every new one is a pleasure to me, though many sound too unstylish for my comfort, e.g. a recent set conducted by Lorin Maazel. Neville Marriner's new version, with his Academy of St Martin, has some illustrious soloists (Henryk Szeryng adopts a more romantic style of playing, at odds with the rest), and plays the music sensitively, vigorously, in the middle of the stylistic road.

The third and sixth concertos suffer from an orchestral approach: they are really chamber music. The string force is also too heavy to convey the character of No 1, enjoyably as it is played. The whole set, though, smells of musicianship, and comfortably surpasses other sets of non-authentic pretensions.

Jumbo Crossword Solution

The winners of the Easter Jumbo Crossword competition are Stephen Crampton, 6 College Place, St Albans; G. W. Horne, 177 Strathmartine Road, Dundee DD3 8BL; and K. M. Wysard, 57 Horseshoe Road, Pangbourne, Reading. They will each receive £25.

The solution is:



Chess/Harry Golombek

Blind moves

Chess is the one game which the blind can play on more or less equal terms with the sighted. They play in two chessborards and are allowed to feel the pieces. These have spikes which are fixed into the board by means of holes they are bound to move it, this being their equivalent of *our touch-piece-move rule.*

The blind have fine players. The presnt world Krylov of the Soviet Union, is at least of international master strength-I would put him at about 2,450 in Elo rating-and is possibly even higher since that figure is regarded as the minimum rating for a grandmaster.

My friend, and I the late Sir Rupert Cross, who was blind from birth both played in the London Boys Championship for 1926 and he trounced me unmercifully. Though I got rather the better of him during our university days, he was still quite a formidable player who did well in the sighed British championship.

Like every blind chessplayer I have met, he enjoyed playing the game. For the sighted it is a pleassure to play chess, for the unsighted, it is delight. In 1968 I controlled a blind shess Olympiad at Weymouth, a tourmament among many nations and each country was represented by a team of four. It was heartwarming to see their enthusiasm and joy in playing.

I had exactly the same feelings when I contrilled the fifth blind individual world championship at the Royal Victoria Hotel in St Leonards, Sussex, recently. Players fought hard enough in their competition but they also had a joyous gaiety that *is rarely found in sighted* chess. There were no disputes for me to settle and I came away from the event with feelings of exhilaration.

Eleven rounds Swiss were played among 27 players, the reason for the odd number being the non-arrival of the Turkish representative. The Russian Krylov was a clear first with 9 points and no losses. He was world champion last time when the competition was held four years ago at Bruges in Belgium.

Second was his countryman, Rudennsky, with eight points and the bronze medal went to the East German Wunsche with 7½. There followed Jukanovic (Yugoslavia) and Zier (West Germany) 7, Baretic (Yugoslavia) and Sandrin (USA) 6½, Atanosov (Bulgaria), Benson (England) and Enjuto (Spain) 6, Carlin (England), Fesche (Norway), Florian (Czechoslovakia), Gronberg (Sweden) and Tiefenbacher (Austria) 5½ Bibas (Israel), van Gelder (Netherlands) Jennen (Belgium), Keane (Eire), Sepulveda (Chile), Tonteru (Finland) and Winkelman (Switzerland) 5, *Eros (Hungary) and* Schmeisser (France) 4½, Free (New Zealand) and Vaccani (Italy) 3 and Jensen (Denmark) 2.

Of the many fine games Krylov played the most brilliant was against Wunsche.

White: Krylov Black: Wunsche Sicilian Defence

1 P-K4	P-QB4
2 N-KB3	P-K3
3 P-Q4	PxP
4 NxP	P-QR3
5 N-QB3	Q-B2
6 P-KN3	N-QB3

An inelastic way of playing the opening as this Knight may be better placed on Q2; preferable seems P-QN4 followed by B-N2.

7 B-N2	N-B3
8 0-0	B-K2
9 NxN	QPxN

The wrong way; better was 9 . . , NPxN.

10 P-N3	P-K4

Weakening himself on the white squares; he should have played 10 . . , 0-0 and 11 . . , R-Q1.

11 P-KR3	0-0
12 B-N2	P-QN4
13 P-B4	B-B4 ch
14 K-R1	B-Q5
15 Q-B3	B-N2
16 P-B5	B-N2
17 KR-K1	QR-Q1
18 R-K2	P-N5

A faulty move as a result of which White gets the fine square of QB4 for his Knight; better was 28 RPxP

19 N-Q1	BxB
20 NxB	R-Q5
21 QR-K1	KR-Q1
22 P-N4	N-K1
23 P-N5	N-Q3
24 Q-N3	N-N4
25 N-B4	N-B6
27 PxR	NxRP
28P-N6	P-B3

This loses; better was 28 . , RPxP.

29 PxP ch	KxP
30 Q-R4 ch	K-N1
31 B-B3	N-B6
32R-KN1	R-Q3
33 B-R5	Q-B3

Hastening the loss and allowing a forced mate. But even so he is still lost since he has no means of parrying the threat of B-N6.

34 B-B7 ch	KxB
35 RxP ch	KxR
36 R-N3 ch	K-B1
37 Q-R8 ch	resigns.

Bridge/Jeremy Flint

Beware the 'sticks'

In the final round of the Home International Series for the Camrose Trophy, England played Wales and Scotland played Northern Ireland. Before these matches began Scotland enjoyed a three-point lead. Furthermore, they *seemed to have* the easier task , as their opponents, Northern Ireland, were lying at the bottom of the table. The English selectors showed a fine sense of purpose by recalling their most successful captain, J. G .E. Faulkner, and a strong all round team.

Before I describe the stirring events at Cowbridge, let me digress. The Camrose series provides a rare opportunity to watch good bridge, yet invariably these matches are sparsely attended. The recent television series has conclusively demonstrated that an audience for bridge exists, so what explains the public apathy?

On my return to London I suggested to one of the EBU officials that it was the height of folly to stage a Camrose match in a place like that. "It is our deliberate policy to encourage the growth of bridge in the more sparsely populated areas," he replied pompously.

The Scottish Bridge Union and the Welsh Bridge Union do not make the same mistake. They have long since recognized that to attract a good audience, an international bridge match must be well advertised, and above all, staged in a city with a high density of bridge players. The Camrose series would derive immeasurable benefit from professional promotion. *Sponsorship* could provide it.

England began superbly. They annihilated the Welsh in the first of the three 30 board matches, while Scotland lost by 3 VPs to 9 VPs. Both the principals won their second matches by 10 VPs to 2 VPs, but Scotland set England a target when they won their third match 11-1. To win the trophy, England needed at least a draw. With 10 boards left to play, they trailed by 7 IMPs, but they staged a fine rally to win the final match by 8 IMPs, equivalent to 7 to 5 VPs.

This board caused some justifiable anxiety in the English camp.
England v Wales
North-South vulnerable -
Dealer South

	♠ 108765 ♡ K Q 10 9 ◇ 8 4 ♣ 3	
♠ A K Q 4 3 ♡ J 8 ◇ Q 10 9 3 ♣ 10 2	N W E S	♠ 9 2 ♡ 3 2 ◇ A J 6 5 ♣ J 9 7 6 5
	♠ — ♡ A 7 6 5 4 ◇ K 7 2 ♣ A K Q 8 4	

This was the bidding in the closed room with the Welsh North-South.

West	North	East	South
—	—	—	1♡
1♠	Double	Redouble	No
2◇	2♡	No	4♡
No	No	No	—

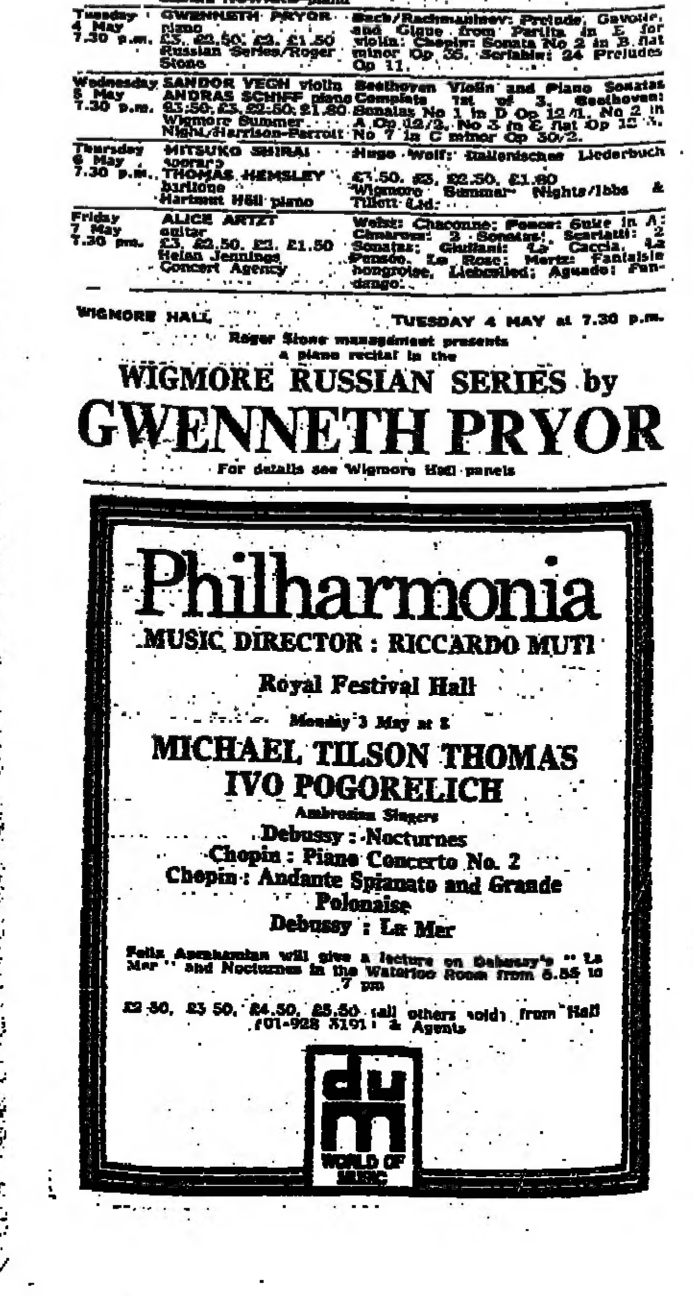
Although it made no difference here, North's double of one spade seems tactically inadvisable. A good general rule with a fit in partner's suit, is to explore the full potential in attack before attempting to penalize the opposition. East's parashoot redouble was equally unsound.

In the open room, the English were more ambitious.

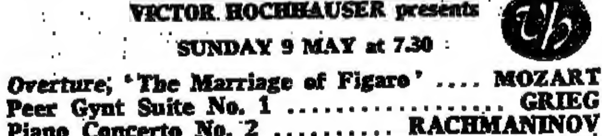
West Pierce	North Rose	East Casey	South Sheehan
—	—	—	1♡
1♠	4♡	No	4♠
No	5♡	No	6♡
No	No	No	—

Opening lead SA

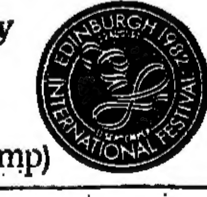
On the opening lead East played the ♠9. Sheehan faced a difficult decision, especially as West had given a little consideration before his final pass. If West has the ◇A, cashing the clubs and discarding dummy's diamonds will prove to be an optical illusion. Finally, Sheehan *reasonably decided to pin his* hopes on East holding either the SK9 or the SQ?, when dummy's powerful intermediates would suffice. As you can see, it was not to be. The straightforward line of relying upon East to hold the ◇A would have succeeded. More painful for Sheehan, the whole Bridgerama audience could see it as well.













The Times Cook

Rising through the rye

A most agreeable feature of *The Sunday Times Book Of Real Bread* which is to be published on Monday is that it contains an extraordinary diversity of views on what constitutes good bread.

The book is a product of the paper's campaign for real bread, and 40 cookery writers, bakers and celebrities have contributed two hundred recipes. The selection of loaves and opinions, plain and fancy, is a stimulating one. Chapters on where to buy good flour and on basic bread-making techniques are especially useful, and the merits of bran, organically grown cereals and other wholesome topics are thoroughly aired. But what shines through all the contributions is the infectious pleasure people take in baking and eating their own bread.

The recipes include novelties like wholemeal croissants from the Good Housekeeping Institute, and old recipes like Bobby Freeman's mixed grain maslin bread. Doris Grant, of Grant loaf fame, explains her time-saving one-rise recipe. Elizabeth David offers rice bread, Jane Grigson suggests walnut granary bread, and Caroline Conrad chooses chappatis.

And for those who are not bitten by the bran bug, much less a desire to experiment with barley, rye or maize flours, there are plenty of ways to use white flour — from Aphrodisiac milk bread to Zopf, a traditional Swiss Sunday loaf.

The following recipe, taken from the book, is for Cranks cheese baps. The liquid added to the dry ingredients is described as warm, and as in all yeast raised recipes this means around 40°C/104°F — half boiling, half cold water will be about right.

Lunch in one of the Cranks chain of vegetarian restaurants is my idea of real treat. A bowl of mixed salad and one of their cheese baps makes a very satisfying meal. *The Sunday Times Book of Real Bread* says that this is one of the most popular of all Crank's recipes. The baps are served split, buttered and filled with mustard and cress.

Cranks' cheese baps

Makes six

15 g (½ oz) fresh yeast

1 teaspoon honey

300 to 350 ml (½ to ⅔ pint warm water

450 g (1 lb) wholemeal flour

1 teaspoon sea salt

1 free range egg, beaten

255 g (9 oz) Cheddar cheese, grated

Mix the yeast and honey in a small bowl with 150 ml (¼ pint) of the warm water. Leave in a warm place for about 10 minutes to froth.

Mix the flour with the salt. (In very cold weather, warm the flour slightly.) Pour the yeast mixture into the flour, add the egg, and gradually add the remaining water, mixing well by hand. Knead the dough for about five minutes. Cover with a cloth and leave in a warm place for about one hour to double in size.

Knock down the dough and knead lightly. Roll out on a lightly floured surface to a rectangle 38 by 25 cm (15 by 10 inches). Sprinkle a third of the cheese over the centre one-third of the dough. Fold the left hand third of the dough over the cheese. Sprinkle another third of the cheese over the double thickness of dough, then fold the right hand side of the dough over to cover the cheese completely. Roll out and cut out 10 cm (4 inch) rounds. Place on a floured baking sheet and brush lightly with milk. Sprinkle with the remaining cheese and leave for about another 30 minutes to rise again.

Bake the baps in a preheated moderately hot oven (200°c/400°f, gas mark 6) for about 25 minutes. Cool the baps on a wire tray.

The Sunday Times Book Of Real Bread, Michael Bateman and Heather Maisner, is published by Rodale Press, price £12.95.

Shona Crawford Poole

Travel: edited by Shona Crawford Poole

Dixie/Richard Williams

The Bourbon Street parade

Louisiana is conscious of its reputation — jazz, Spanish moss, breakfast in eight courses — and works hard to fulfill the traveller's preconceptions.

In New Orleans, the prudish spirit which shut down the brothels of Storyville in 1917 has long been extinguished, even reversed. Topless bars, bottomless bars, girl bars and boy bars ("24 Boys On Hand!") now flourish on balconied Bourbon Street alongside rooms in which decrepit veterans and bored youngsters crank out blueprinted Dixieland for the tourist trade.

On a gentler note, the legendary breakfast at Brennan's begins with bourbon-spiked milk punch, its remaining courses lubricated by wine under the envious gaze of blue-rinsed coach parties queuing for tables. The city's best value is probably its streetcars: the one named Desire went out of commission some years ago, but its sisters still clang up and down St Charles Avenue at a satisfyingly relaxed pace, opening up a cross-section view of the city's considerable history, from the sleaze of the French Quarter to the opulence of residential Audubon Park.

Evidence is everywhere that New Orleans is on its way to joining Dallas and Atlanta as one of the capitals of the prosperous New South. Oil from the Gulf of Mexico has brought investment in a giant Superdome, fit for football championships and Rolling Stones concerts, and in a sprauncy shopping district which, according to our hilariously downbeat guide, will shortly contain "Pucci, Gucci . . . all them 'oochy' guys".

Still, for all its undeniable character, and despite the never-closing bars of Bourbon Street, the city can and should be seen quickly, before moving off — preferably by car — for other views of Louisiana.

The wise will immediately head north-west along Interstate Highway 10, crossing the Mississippi by Sunshine Bridge and taking US Highway 1 to White Castle, where, just a bugle-call from the levee holding back the river, they will find a house called Nottoway.

Behind the curving steps, raised porch, tall windows and white Greco-Italian columns of Nottoway's deceptively narrow antebellum façade lie no fewer than 64 rooms arranged in a labyrinth of corridors, balconies and galleries. Somewhere within these is the White Ballroom, where the magic begins.

Other rooms in other countries possess the qualities of a time machine; somewhere, perhaps, there is even one to match the potency of the White Ballroom. Entered at dusk by the light of candles flickering from its crystal chandeliers, the ballroom becomes again the location chosen by the house's first owner, the sugar planter John Hampden Randolph, to bring his eight daughters out into Louisiana society.

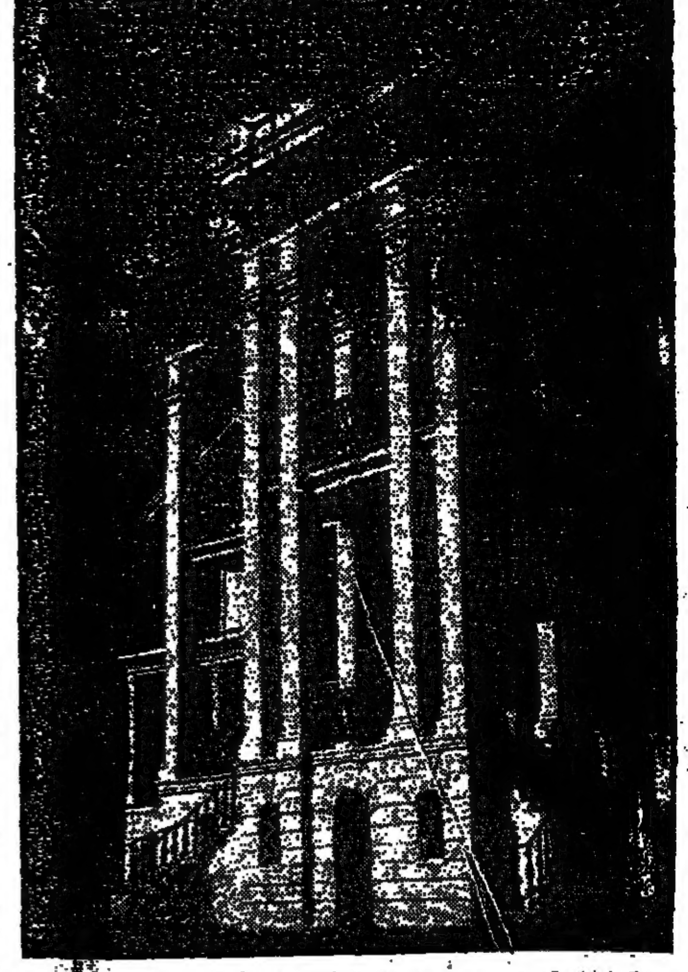
Many layers of creamy paint, most of them original, invite the feet to glide across the glossy wooden floor; marble mantles, cypress columns and delicate plaster friezes reduce the modern visitor to a rapt silence, the better to catch imagined echoes of long-ago music, laughter and rustling silk.

Completed in 1857, Nottoway's singular power is drawn from its combination of immense conception with domestic intimacy. The extraordinary fidelity of its restoration, which at present extends throughout a third of the rooms, is the work of Arlin Dease, a young designer who has made such projects among Louisiana's long neglected great houses his speciality. Nottoway represents the pinnacle of his art: he bought the house two years ago, when a mere couple of rooms were inhabited and the rest were mothballed; it is now his home, and its refurbishment will be finished in 1984.

Dease's accomplice in this grand design is Stephen Saunders, the house's curator, an art history graduate who leads small parties from room to room, delivering an articulate and affectionate commentary which fills the place with the characters and life of its brief golden age, terminated to all intents by the outbreak of the Civil War in 1861.

Like many such plantation houses, Nottoway has rooms to let by night, furnished as closely as possible to Randolph's original schemes, in some cases with original pieces. The rates are $75 for a single room and $100 for a double, which scarcely seems excessive for a night in paradise.

Nottoway is the San Simeon of plantation houses; others are more modest and occasionally drab, although Houmas House, on the river near Convent, has a fine garden with fronds of grey-green Spanish moss hanging dolorously from huge oaks, seeming to weep for a vanished era. The charmingly named Shadows-on-the-Teche is an unusual example of such a house in an urban location (its builder owned several plantations and planned his residence at their centre, which turned out to be New Iberia), its garden



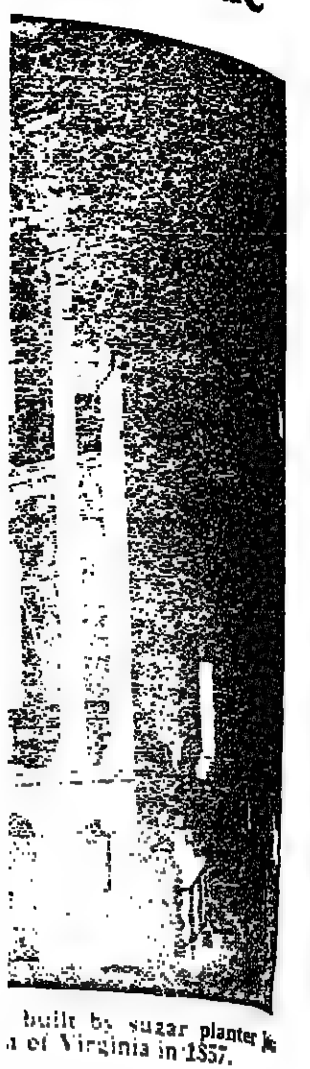
Nottoway Plantation Home, built by sugar planter John Hampden Randolph of Virginia in 1857.

falling steeply down to the broad, brown, sluggish Bayou Teche.

A suitable corrective to such dewy-eyed nostalgia might be an early morning boat trip on the Terrebonne swamp with *Annie Miller*, a retired fur-trapper who summons alligators by name at feeding time and whose keen eye spots a bald eagle posing majestically in a treetop half a mile away or a camouflaged chicken-snake dozing on a branch a couple of feet above the heads of unsuspecting visitors. Egrets, herons and dozens of other species turn the swamp into an ornithologist's dream, or Central Casting for George Lowery's *Louisiana Birds* (which Mrs Miller keeps handy in her ice-box, next to meat for the alligators). The trips last an unforgettable three hours, and cost $35 per couple.

Reaching into a darker past is the Rural Life Museum run by Louisiana State University on the Burden Research Plantation, where antebellum life has been recreated, using original materials and artefacts, in the sort of detail familiar to viewers of *Roots*, slave cabins and all.

● *British Airways Tri-Stars* fly directly from Gatwick to New Orleans three times a week. Super-Apex tickets, bookable up to 21 days in advance, are from £325 return. Sovereign Holidays offer *fly-drive packages*, two-centre holidays, cruises on the Mississippi and a Deep South coach tour, with other options available from Enterprise and Speedbird.



Shoparound with Beryl Downing

Making yourself at home at work

Storing people is wrong. That, in essence, is the message put across by a display of furniture called Home Office, launched this week by designer Johnny Grey. You have only to look round the average office to see his point — the more functional the surroundings, the greyer the work produced in them, even when "personalized" by the engulfing Wyndhamesque rubber plant.

So Home Office is Johnny Grey's solution. It is a collection of highly individual pieces that would make an office seem like home or could be used at home to perform the functions of an office — more and more necessary as the forecast is that most executives will eventually be working from home, plugged into Control via their mini terminals.

There are conference tables that are as handsome as dining tables, trestel tables that would provide extra surface when needed, but will store when not, a drinks cabinet (as vital as a golf course for high level deals) with a fridge in the middle, a specially designed two-level table to accommodate an electronic keyboard.

"Systems do five things badly and nothing very well," says Johnny Grey. "My idea is that each design should accomplish one function perfectly."

Not only do they work well, they also look splendid. The combination of blonde ash, black lacquer and red acrylic and coated steel is stimulating, the shapes of the furniture more decorative than is normally associated with an office.

"People have become used to furniture being all texture and surface and no shape. I am trying to discover a new ornamental language but within a contemporary reference", says Grey. "If you have objects that have nothing peculiar about them, you can't love them. You can't love something that is just a box."

That is a relatively revolutionary idea to those brought up to believe that good design is all function and no unnecessary twiddly bits, but although decorative Grey's furniture has immense strength and power — the result of an initial training in architecture, which he abandoned after seven years to set up his own furniture business, having run an antiques business part-time while he was at college.

He began five years ago by making furniture and accessories for kitchens and has created many original kitchen designs to individual commission. The range of office furniture is, he says, the first time that he has designed, for "an unknown client."

Designing was one thing. Getting prototypes made was quite another, as British furniture manufacturers, with their usual self-protective instinct for not sticking their necks out, were not willing to attempt to put Home Office into production.

So, with Robin Guild, director of Homeworks, the interior designers and furnishers, he set up a cooperative of manufacturers — three making the woodwork, others being responsible for the lacquer, metal, lighting, lamp shades and handles.

Many of the components were evolved specially for Home Office — turned acrylic handles, for instance, were a new concept, and Stanley Plastics, who make the lens caps for submarines involved in North Sea oil exploration, developed an entirely new technique.

New developments, of course, cost money, so it is unrealistic to expect Johnny Grey's furniture to be cheap. At £861 for an adjustable shelving unit, £1,700 for a table, £2,752 for an executive desk with filing drawers, it is limited at the moment to those whose budgets match their discrimination. Ideas always cost money, although the prices could be reduced by about 25 per cent once there are enough orders to allow components to be bought in tens or dozens.

Even if you are not in the market for such rare pieces, you could still find a visit rewarding for Homeworks, Dove Walk, 107 Pimlico Road, SW1, were the designs are on display, is itself a fascinating ideas centre.

Out of the old Express Dairy stables down an alley near the junction of Lower Sloane Street and Chelsea Bridge Road, Robin Guild has created a hive of design which can provide anything from a single item of furniture — sofas, mirrors, tables, screens and fabrics are all displayed in a series of room settings — to a complete scheme for anything from a bed-sit to a Saudi Arabia "palace complex".

Johnny Grey's Home Office will be shown there as a complete collection for a year. A catalogue is available for £2, refundable on anything bought, or there is a free basic leaflet, if all you want is a sneak preview. Allow yourself to be tempted. Even the most austere student of design has nothing to lose but his prejudice.



It makes him very proud to be a little cloud — particularly when the floating suspension system, instead of a ballon, is a very smart umbrella in metallic gold or silver matt lame, £21 (£1 p&p) from Sylvia's, 25 Beauchamp Place, SW3. Pooh, 18in high by Pedigree, £18.55 from Harrods.

Growth industry in the house

New for home decorators: a sachet of chemical which helps to remove and prevent mould, mildew and fungus on walls and textiles deals with black spots created by condensation on *windows*.

Make it up in one litre of water, scrub on, allow a few hours to kill the fungus, clean off and apply a new coat to ward off further growth. Called Fungo, it is available in 40p sachets in hardware shops, or in 100 ml bottles (to make 10 litres) at £2.20 from Dax Products Ltd., 76 Cyprus Road, Nottingham NG3 5ED. Telephone 0602 42334.

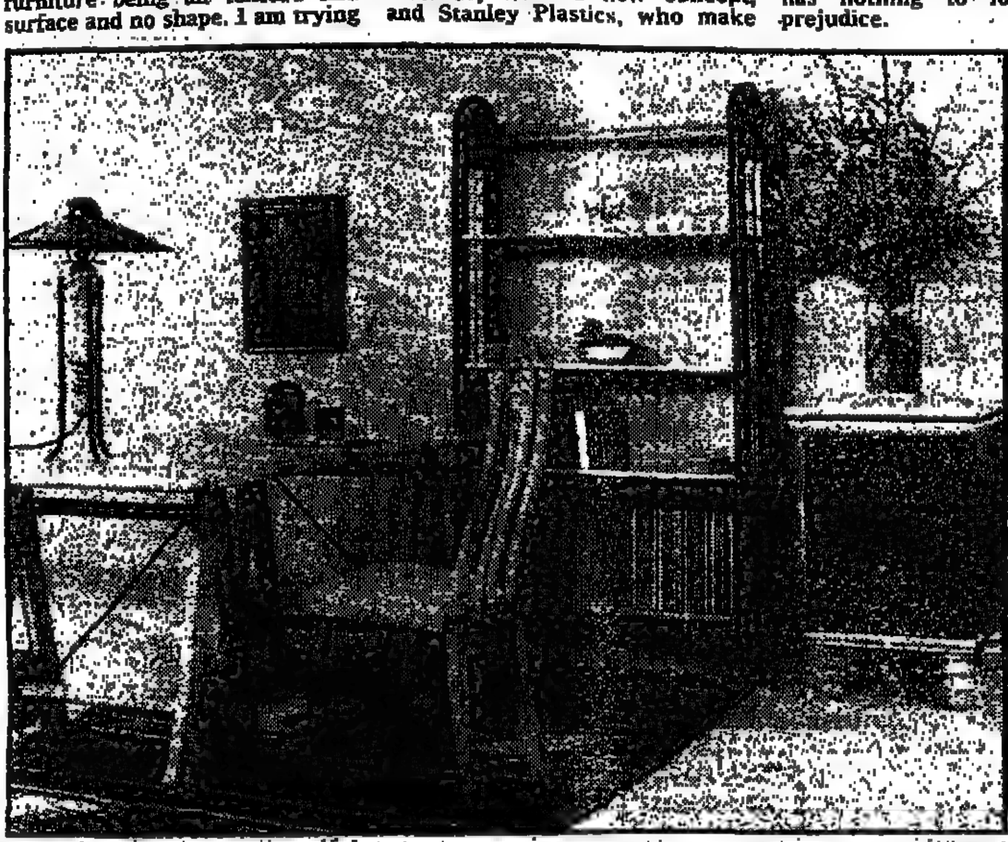
New for travellers: *Health on Holiday*, by George Dicks published by the British Medical Association. The booklet deals with coping with jet lag, avoiding car sickness, recommended jabs, insurance and reciprocal health arrangements in the EEC and various heat disorders and bites.

Useful for business travellers as well as holiday makers, the booklet is available from chemists at 50p or (with an extra 15p p&p) from Family Doctor Publications, BMA House, Tavistock Square, London WC1 9JP.

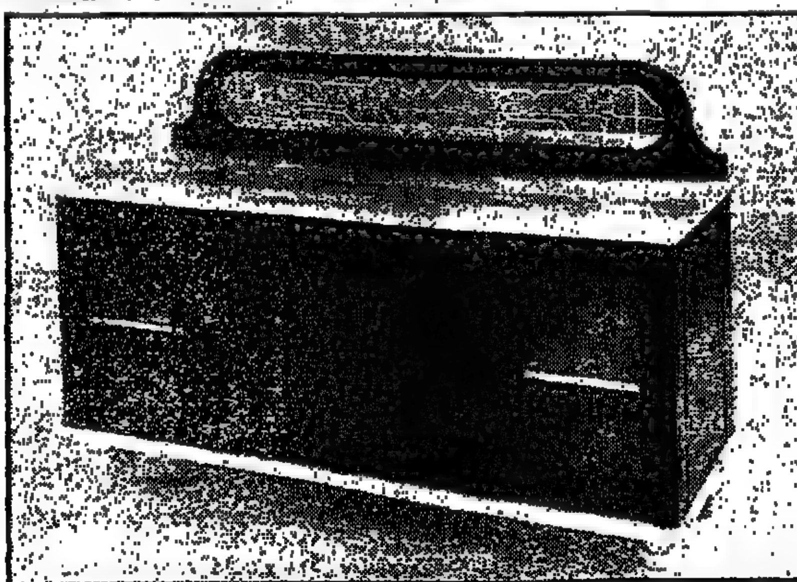
New for top toddlers: a children's shop specializing in stylish Continental design for the up-to-sevens. Prices from £5.20 for a matching T-shirt and shorts, well-cut and in attractive, bright colours. Lots of accessories and an emphasis on natural fibres. A play area with video keeps the children happy while mothers browse. Piccolo is at 18a, Winchester Street, Salisbury.



Back to school with some new-style tuck — very realistic but in totally non-fattening plastic: orange slice key ring, stick of celery or flaky bar biros, chocolate block note pad, each £1.05 plus 35p p&p from the The Tree House, 237 Kensington High Street, W8 and the newly opened Tree House in the Garden, 275 Camden High Street, NW1.







Above: Trestle table in ash with red epoxy coated steel struts, £579; desk lamp with matt black shade and turned ash stand on tubular supports, £179; adjustable shelves, £861; two drawer filing cabinet in ash and black lacquer with red acrylic handles, £980.

Above right: Two-level solid ash table for electronic keyboard and VDU display systems. The two platforms are interchangeable to take a typewriter, £993.

Left: Bookcase with adjustable shelves has glass fronts held in position by red epoxy coated steel, £3,976.

Right: Drinks cabinet with centre fridge compartment and mirrored back, acid-etched with the pattern of a heartbeat, £1,987. All in the Home Office range by Johnny Grey.

Cottoning on to India of the seasons

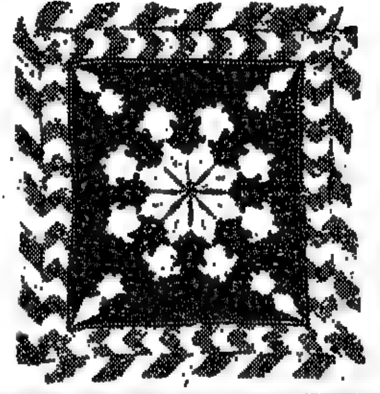
An exhibition of textiles which represents several years of travelling around India opened this week at Joss Graham's textile gallery at 10 Eccleston Street, London SW1.

The traveller is Lisbet Holmes and all the textiles she has collected are based on rural Indian life, celebrating the passing of the seasons and their festivals, as well as domestic celebrations.

There are embroidered covers from Chamba and the Pahari hills whose designs were drawn by the court artists of the day and are very like the miniature paintings of the region. Embroidered quilts from Bengal are made from worn out clothes decorated with coloured threads taken from the borders of dhotis and saris.

All the textiles are for sale at prices ranging from £10 to £3,800, and the exhibition will continue until May 14.





Detail of a 3ft square embroidered Kantha from Jessore district, East Bengal, late nineteenth century, depicting Rama, Sita and Hanuman. Left: appliqued canopy from Kutch, 19th century, 4ft 8in x 4ft 10in. £320. Both in the exhibition of Indian Folk textiles at 10 Eccleston Street, SW1.

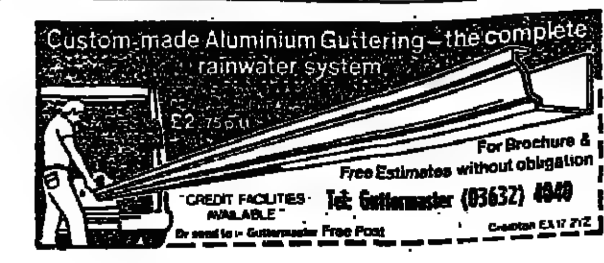
For your delight

Embroiderers, I am told, are always searching for patterns, so if you are among them you will be glad to know of two collections of motifs — the first of a series called These For Your Delight.

The first is a small portfolio of 20 floral motifs which can be worked on most textiles and can be transferred by tracing. The second is a group of bird and animal sampler motifs, originally worked by young girls in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. They are charted on graph paper with 8 squares to the inch and are intended to be transferred to even-weave linen or canvas. Both can be used by embroiderers who would like to devise their own patterns, but do not feel capable of the basic drawing. Suggestions are included for organizing the designs into borders or all-over patterns.

The collections have been gathered by Joan Edwards who also produces an attractive range of booklets on the history of various styles of embroidery. The subjects covered are Berlin Work, Black Work (each £1.25), Embroidery 1900 to 1950 (£1.40) and Gertrude Jekyll, Embroiderer, Gardener and Craftsman (£1.60).

This Small Books series is available (each with 25p p & p) from Bayford Books, PO Box 10, Dorking, Surrey RH4 2JB, telephone 0306 882588. The embroidery and sampler motifs, also from Bayford Books, are £2.25 each, plus 25p p & p.



Gardening / Roy Hay

Planning for a bigger splash

Planting of aquatic plants in pools is best done in the next four or five weeks, but of course you must first have your pool. Fortunately, with prefabricated plastic pools of various shapes and sizes, and butyl and other lining materials, installation need be a matter of mere hours.

Most good garden centres stock these pools and liners. But in case of difficulty they and pool accessories, plants and fish may be obtained from Wildwoods Water Gardens, Theobalds Park Road, Enfield, London.

So too with the installation of water for fountains and pumps to create cascades or waterfalls. Plastic pipes and couplings and submersible pumps, also submersible floodlights have revolutionized the installation of these features.

If you plan to install a pool, consider siting it so that water and electricity can be taken to it together with the minimum of difficulty. Submersible pumps and lights nowadays are powered by a transformer which gives a safe 24-volt output. There are various types of pump: those which only push water up to tumble down again to form a waterfall and those which will operate a fountain. Larger pumps will do both at the same time.

The Hozelock Minicascade at about £38 will give a fountain over 3ft high falling in a circle 30in across, or pump water for a waterfall. Their Varijet at about £50 will do both at once and the fountain can be adjusted to give four jet patterns. Full particulars of these pumps, pool lighting, hose fittings and various sprinklers are obtainable from Hozelock Ltd, Haddenham, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire.

A garden pool, or if your garden is on a slope, a series of pools, is a delightful feature but not to be undertaken lightly. Thought must be given to the installation because, although the ground may slope, the actual pools must be level, otherwise there will be an ugly few inches of poolside showing above the water level. Then one should try to so arrange the pool that there is a margin around it capable of being flooded easily to accommodate moisture loving or bog plants such as primulas, *Iris kaempferi*, calthas, trollius and astilbes.

Planting the pool itself has to be done with discretion. Seek advice from pool specialists or from books about water gardens. It is easy to overstock a pool with *too many water lilies or with* fish. It is also important to have a balanced planting of oxygenating plants in the pool for the well being of the fish.

It is also important to have a balanced planting of oxygenating plants in the pool for the well being of the fish. All this may sound rather formidable but it is worth taking the trouble to have the installation, planting and stocking right from the start because a well-tempered water garden is a really delightful feature giving endless pleasure.

I never thought the day would come when I would have to advise readers of *The Times* to forget glass greenhouses or frames or even glass windows in garden sheds. But such is the current curse of vandalism that even in areas where the only problem was an acceptable, seasonal apple-stealing, we now have areas where people have given up having a greenhouse, frames or cloches because the glass is regularly smashed by vandals.

One answer is shatterproof plastic sheeting: galvanized wire netting or welded wire mesh laminated between two sheets of clear polythene plastic sheeting. It is strong and relatively cheap and available also in panels of various sizes and as a greenhouse or frame, sizes can be adapted to suit your requirements, from Flexi-buildings, Unit 6, West Street, Shutford, Banbury, Oxfordshire.

The material is not as attractive looking as glass *but you can grow plants* underneath it and it is the answer to the vandalism problem.

This has been a fairly late spring, for which most gardeners are grateful because it has not encouraged premature growth and flowering which would almost surely have suffered by nasty frosts. But, of course, the soil has been slow to warm up and we should not be in a hurry for a week or so to put mulches on our borders or around our strawberries or soft fruits. A mulch, whether of peat, half-decayed leaves, spent hops, dried bracken or straw, sawdust, or indeed any other material acts like a cellular blanket to the soil.

It impedes the penetration of sun heat during the day and restricts the amount of stored-up heat arising from the soil at night. This tends to slow down growth and, when strawberry plants are in flower they may be blackened by frost over mulched ground whereas over bare ground the rising soil warmth might well have warded off several degrees of frost.

Heat of course penetrates the ground by day and rises from it by night more quickly if the soil is moist because water is a good conductor of heat whereas air (in between the soil particles) is not. So keep your strawberry beds moist, compact and weed free at flowering time.

Recently I was surprised to hear from several people that cymbidiums, to me the most delightful of orchids, were not easy plants for the amateur because it could be difficult to persuade to flower year after year. This comment I think originated from an orchid dealer — why I do not understand. I and many friends have never had any difficulty in growing cymbidiums for many years.

I consider them to be the easiest of all orchids, provided one can give them a minimum night temperature of 45° to 50°F, to keep them growing gently all the year round and give them a few liquid feeds during the growing period. Our few plants take the rough with the smooth in our greenhouse, flower regularly and produce more pseudo-bulbs each year so that we are gradually increasing our stock.

Furthermore, they flower for a month or more in a cool room indoors and of course a cymbidium with four or five spikes of up to a dozen flowers gives one a great deal of one upmanship and much personal pride and pleasure. For small greenhouses or small rooms, the miniature cymbidiums which have come to the fore in recent years are very popular.

The Falklands crisis/Divided loyalties in Buenos Aires, political manoeuvres in London

How Argentina's Brits are bearing up

by Tony Emerson, special correspondent in Buenos Aires

For the 17,000 British subjects in Argentina and about 100,000 of British descent who speak English as a first language and lead a British way of life, the events of this month have been a nightmare. Unlike the leader writers of *La Prensa* or *The Times* who have a comfortably blinkered conviction that all the right is on their side, the British community in Argentina understand both points of view and fear that the damage done by enforcing either will greatly outweigh the benefits that might accrue to the enforcer.

This, of course, is a non-political attitude, but the British in Argentina have always eschewed politics and followed Dr Johnson's dictum that man is never more innocently employed than when making money. Indeed, the Anglican Cathedral in Buenos Aires is opposite the Stock Exchange.

For such an apolitical community the main desire is to be allowed to go about one's own business without disturbance. This desire was not respected by the guerrilla groups in the early 1970s who disrupted the prosaic university studies of the young Anglo-Argentines and kidnapped or blackmailed the wealthier parents to provide finance for their cause. So when the military reaction got under way in 1976 the British community were very relieved and quite prepared to overlook violations of human rights — especially as their rights had only been violated by the guerrillas.

In this they were at variance with the courageous stand taken by the journalists of the English language newspaper, the *Buenos Aires Herald*: but they continued to take the *Herald* for the social news and the syndicated cartoons.

The British community also supported the theory, if not always the practice, of the open economy as preached by Dr Jose Alfredo Martinez de Hoz, economy minister for the first five years of military rule. Indeed, one of the few points of agreement between the *Buenos Aires Herald* and the *Review of the River Plate*, the two community papers, was their support for "Dr Joe".

When, therefore, General Galtieri took office and appointed as his chief ministers an orthodox monetarist, Dr Roberto Alemann, and a former representative of British companies, Dr Nicanor Costa Mendez, relations between the Government and the British community could not have been better.

In one respect that relationship paid off, for on April 2 no sooner had the Argentine Government announced the invasion of the Falklands than it published a decree which specifically forbade the committing of injury or insult to the persons or property of British and English speaking residents of Argentina. Offenders against the decree would be repressed with the full vigour of the law, and as human rights activists would testify, that vigour could be quite something.

In many cases police were sent to do guard duty outside British houses or in British farms: but anti-British feeling was so negligible that farmers soon began to grumble about the extra mouths to feed in the shape of their uniformed guests.

For the Argentines did not feel that going into the islands was a particularly anti-British act, and all of them bent over backwards to apologize to Britain for any inconvenience that the invasion might have caused.

Nevertheless the psychological blow to the British community was profound: their country of origin and their country of adoption were at odds. Not many tried to defend the Argentine action, though all understood the motives and feelings which had led up to it: in their quest for minimum disturbance they hoped that the British would come to a commercial arrangement that might even bring business their way.

When the British Government's reaction became known, most indignation was directed at the 1,800 Falklanders and the [illegible] which orchestrated their lobby, for it was felt that they had put into jeopardy 10 times their number of compatriots. If we can live happily under Argentine rule, ran the argument, why can't they?

The next shock came when the British Government asked all Her Majesty's subjects to leave Argentina. The British community assumed this to be a political ploy until subsidiaries of firms based in Britain ordered their British subjects out. Many British refused to go: in the words of *The Review of The River Plate* they refused to believe that the two countries were governed by such power-mad lunatics that they would go to war. Unpleasant telexes crossed the Atlantic threatening disciplinary action or dismissal for those employees who did not obey.

By now the regular listeners to the BBC World Service were astonished to discover the country of their adoption being marked with the stigmas of Nazism, Fascism and dictatorship: such descriptions were particularly bizarre to a community which had produced nearly two and a half thousand volunteers for Britain in the Second World War. They knew that the government was not democratic, but they never felt that they lived under a dictatorship: in fact they had had more liberties curtailed under elected governments than under military ones.

A further strain on relations with the mother country was the case of the Rt. Rev. Richard Cutts, the Anglican Bishop. He had volunteered to fly to the Falklands with a deputation of British farmers in order to explain to the islanders the realities of living under Argentine rule. When the news reached Britain, the bishop received a telephone call from the office of the Archbishop of Canterbury removing the Falkland Islands from his jurisdiction and forbidding him to leave Argentina. As one member of the community grumbled over lunch at the English Club: "Who are the Fascists now?"

The instinctive shunning of politics had led the community to keep what they called a "low profile" what the more forceful members preferred to label as ducking the issue. The common denominator was that all wished to avoid a shootout between Britain and Argentina, so a series of telegrams was sent to the British Government asking for a negotiated settlement without the use of force.

These telegrams caught the eye of the Argentine Navy, who have most to lose by British use of force, and a senior captain was detailed to help solve the problems of the community. Chief of these was the blacking of the *Buenos Aires Herald* by the Peronist Newspaper distributors' union on the grounds that it had not supported the invasion. Within a day of the captain taking charge the Herald was back.

But the case of the *Herald* outlines the British community's chief worry. While the present Western-oriented government remains in power they have nothing to fear from official sources. But would that government have the will or resources to prevent profiteers from looting British residents' property in the name of patriotism if a shooting war breaks out in the South Atlantic? And, worse, what would happen if a xenopobic, populist regime were to replace the present junta as a result of domestically unacceptable concessions or military setbacks?



Catching a soldier's eye: a non-military encounter in downtown Buenos Aires.

THE FOREIGN OFFICE ADVICE

The following message to Britons in Argentina was being broadcast from last night on the BBC's World Service:

Now that the British task force is approaching the area of the Falkland Islands, a period of increasing tension and risk could lie ahead which should be taken into account by all *British citizens remaining in Argentina. Those who have not* so far acted upon earlier warnings are asked to consider again whether they should take an early opportunity of *leaving the country by normal commercial means.*

Can the Tories keep their united front?

Geoffrey Smith

As the Falklands crisis has developed, how strong is the *Government's* support in Britain? With the general public it is strong and rising: a poll conducted by Market and Opinion Research International (MORI) and published in *The Economist* this week shows 68 per cent approval for the handling of the crisis. In Parliament the Government has managed to recover from an appalling start to mobilize an impressive degree of all-party backing. This will remain as long as there seems to be a *reasonable prospect of* securing an acceptable settlement by negotiation and without *resort to force*. Beyond that it is more doubtful.

This is one of those instances where the support of other parties really does matter, both as an indication to the world of national unity and as a *reassurance to* public opinion at home. But in the final analysis it is always the cohesion of the governing party that is critical in British politics. For how long will this remain *if harsh choices have to be* made?

The unity of the Cabinet at the *moment* is impressive. This has for most of its life been such a fractious Cabinet that, even though it has been working much better over about the last six months, there was always the possibility *that* the *old divisions* and tensions would become apparent again in times of stress. This has not happened.

Many of the decisions are being made by the small inner group dealing with the Falklands, *but* this is not resented by other ministers who accept that *crisis* management cannot be conducted effectively by large numbers *and that for security reasons* tactical military assessments cannot be passed up and down Whitehall. Within this inner group particular influence is being exercised by Mr Pym and Mr Whitelaw, who are reported to be working especially well together.

In the longer term this is *bound to* have its effect on the psychological balance within the Cabinet, provided that the crisis is ultimately resolved without a fiasco. In the shorter term they and the Prime Minister are between them well placed to command the consent of their colleagues.

But will they be able to command the consent of the Conservative backbenches? For the moment the Conservative ranks are steady: there is virtually universal approval of the Government's action in sending the task force, though there may well be a few silent reservations. But behind this united front at least three groups can be discerned. At one end of the spectrum there are those who not only approve of the task force being sent but are eager for it to be used to bring the crisis to a swift conclusion if the Argentines are not soon persuaded to accept satisfactory terms. The strength of this group was evident when Mr Pym addressed the Conservative foreign affairs committee on Tuesday.

At the other end are those most if not all of whom approve of the task force being sent, but only so long as it is not used for any purpose more martial than *bringing* the Argentines to the negotiating table. This group would be firmly opposed to the use of force and would probably be prepared to settle for the best terms available. But in between there is a third group, probably the most numerous and certainly holding the balance, which is looking to the Government to extract reasonable terms from the Argentines by hard negotiating backed with the threat of force.

This group has a fairly *clear idea of what it wants* — the restoration of British sovereignty and a long-term solution that would be endorsed by the islanders — *but* it does not seem to have decided what the next step should be if these terms are not available through negotiation. Would these MPs be *prepared to use force or* would they soften their terms?

There is a distinct softening in the Conservative ranks of the insistence upon the wishes of the islanders being paramount. The word "paramount" sticks in quite a few Conservative throats, as it *does in* Mr David Steel's. There are considerable anxieties over the danger of permitting such a small number of people in effect to dictate the terms of British foreign and defence policy.

If the islanders were to insist upon nothing less than a return to the status quo, would this not imply a commitment by Britain to enforce it not just now but for ever? Would this not mean that a substantial force would have to be stationed permanently on the Falklands, which would distort Britain's general defence effort?

It is probable, though, that Conservative sentiment would insist on any agreement with the Argentine being specifically approved either by the Falklands Council or in a referendum; and there would be much unhappiness at any failure to restore British sovereignty in the islands, at least as a prelude to any long-term solution.

But would this pivotal group of Conservative backbenchers be prepared to use force if necessary to secure their ends? The answer is equivocal. They would be worried by the prospect of a bloody encounter in which many British lives were lost, or of a protracted engagement. They would be alarmed by the possible repercussions of any attack on the mainland. But they would be happy to join in the general rejoicing if British forces were to recapture the Falklands in a swift, clinical operation.

This attitude is not really much help for hard-pressed ministers who see narrowing choices before them. Not for the first time in political history they have supporters who would welcome the *success of an enterprise* but would probably say that it should never have been *attempted if it did not* achieve its purpose quickly. In effect this simply raises the stakes for *the* Government and puts a still higher premium on military judgment if there is not a *breakthrough in negotiations.*

But while there is some equivocation *in* Conservative ranks, or rather a reluctance to consider the consequences if preferred solutions are not available without further risk, there is no readiness to accept a humiliating settlement. There would be serious trouble within the party if it seemed that the Government had *simply surrendered* to Argentina. A number of MPs might resign the Whip and, more important, there would be a strong sense of disillusionment throughout the centre of the party. So although the Government has made up much political ground over the past three *weeks it is having to proceed* along a path where its freedom of manoeuvre is very strictly limited.

Watch this space

Patrick Moore first presented his television astronomy lecture, The Sky at Night, 25 years ago today. Here he looks forward to the next quarter century of scanning the skies.

The past quarter-century has been the most eventful period in the whole history of astronomy. Nor is there any sign of slackening in the rate of progress. The space telescope, due to be launched from the American shuttle in 1985, will open up entirely new paths of investigation.

*It will be a 94-inch reflec*tor, a "free-flying" instrument operating from above *the top of the earth's blanket* of air and controlled from the ground.

The quality of the image — will be perfect all the time, and radiations of all wavelengths will be available. The main emphasis will be on studies of remote stars and star systems, although the *solar system* will not be neglected. For instance, we may learn something definite about the puzzling planet Pluto, about to supplement our present painfully meagre knowledge.

The space telescope will be visited periodically for servicing, and after five years or so *it may even be brought down* for a thorough overhaul before being relaunched. It will be in use practically all the time, and should be able to penetrate farther into the universe than has ever been possible before. In particular, it will be used to study quasars. At present the *most remote* known quasar has an estimated distance of 13,000 million light-years, which is well out toward the edge of the observable universe.

Equipment of all types will be used to refine what may be called "invisible astronomy" from the very long-wavelength radio waves through to the ultra-short gamma-rays. For short-wave astronomy, satellites are essential, since these radiations cannot penetrate the earth's atmosphere, and many purely astronomical satellites will be launched.

As yet we cannot be certain about the nature of many of the objects which emit X-rays and gamma-rays, *but black holes may be* involved.

Space stations will be in orbit well before the end of the 1990s, and may well be permanently manned. Whether there will be more journeys to the moon is not certain but on the whole they seem probable, and a fully-fledged lunar base could be set up within the next 25 years.

*There are also the auto*matic planetary probes, which have immeasurably improved our knowledge of the solar system since the first of them was launched 20 years ago. The American programme has been savagely cut back, but at least Voyager 2 is still on course, and shouyld by-pass the giant planet Uranus in January 1986 before making its rendezvous with Neptune in August 1989.

The Russians may attempt something spectacular; they will certainly continue their exploration of the nearer *planets, Venus and Mars.* The next major step should be either a "Mars rover", capable of moving around on the surface of the planet, or a "sample and return" mission, bringing back specimens of Martian material. This will be of immense significance; we should then *be able to tell whether there* is life there.

Halley's Comet is due back in 1986. The NASA probes have been cancelled, but the European Space Agency plans a mission to the comet. There will also be a Japanese attempt, and the Russians have announced that they *will send two probes* — first bypassing Venus and then dropping balloons into its atmosphere.

Among other interesting future events are the total solar eclipse of 11 August 1999 — the first to be visible from England since 1927 — and the transit of Venus on 2000. Venus last passed across the face of the Sun in 1882, so that there can be *nobody living who can re*member it.

Other possibilities cannot be ruled out. In particular, efforts to pick up intelligible messages from other solar systems *will* continue. The chances of success may be slight, but they are by no means nil. And if an artificial *signal was received*, a quest for the life at its source would begin in earnest.

The author will celebrate 25 years of The Sky at Night *in* The Unfolding Universe *at 10 o'clock on BBC 1 tomorrow night. His book,* The Unfolding Universe, *is to be published on May 24 by Michael Joseph/Rainbird.*

Halo-Halo, it's Eurosingalong time again

"Bem-Bom", "Video-Video", "Halo-Halo". Latin-American football teams? Sun-drenched holiday islets in the South Pacific? Infertile pandas? No, these are variously the Portuguese, Danish and Yugoslav runners in this year's Eurovision Song Contest, which will be watched this evening by an estimated 200,000,000 eager consumers, being brought into our homes at eight o'clock by BBC 1.

The competition is taking place in the Harrogate Conference Centre, and it has come to Britain because last year in Dublin Bucks Fizz won on behalf of you and me. They won with a song entitled "Making Your Mind Up", one of those infuriating tunes one discovers oneself humming when one should be humming something obscure and challenging; a snatch of medieval French court music perhaps, or a portion of an eight-hour electronic masterwork by some resentful Belgian.

In the very earliest years of Eurovision the successful songs were, to be frank with you, pretty forgettable. Who now could whistle me the first of the 29 winners, from 1956, "Refrain" by Lys Assia, or for that matter the 1959 choice, Teddy Scholten's *mortal* "'n Beetje"?

In case you've done a spot of rapid arithmetic and are now wondering how an annual contest can produce 29 winners in 26 years, there were four champions in that golden year 1969, including the song many authorities regard as the quintessential Eurosong, "Boom Bang A Bang", sung by bubbly Scots lassie Lulu. I apologize at once for "bubbly Scots lassie" but I'm trying to give you the feel of the event, to draw you in, to make you feel involved.

At the core of Eurosong *lies the need to craft a lyric* that will be as seductively meaningless in Italy, winners in 1964 with "Non Ho L'Eta", as it is meaningless in Israel, triumphant in 1978 with "A-Ba-Ni-Bi" and positively exultant a year later with "Hallelujah".

*Israel may not be every*one's idea of a European country, but then again neither is Turkey. The Turks do battle this year with a perky work called "Hani". I know that they have swarmed into Eurovision before because several years ago I spent a harrowing few months pretending that I rather cared for their entry, feeling that this affectation would give me the air of a man of mystery, with feet firmly in a wide range of different cultures. Physically tricky, I concede, but intellectually sound. Turkey has never won the Eurovision Song Contest and patriots will take heart from the knowledge that neither have the Argentines.

Our traditional enemies, the French, have enjoyed the greatest number of garlic-soaked victories — jingoism *is de rigueur* in this context — with five, followed in line abreast by Luxembourg, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom, each with four wins.

Scholarly study of the list of previous winners reveals that the Scandinavians, enthusiastic competitors all, have fared rather poorly. Certainly plucky little Denmark *found the back of the* net in 1963, but the only other Scandinavian win has been that of Abba in 1974. The subsequent success of Abba, who bring more alien gold into *Swedish* coffers than Volvo, has added a striking new dimension to *the competition*, that of raw greed. The record of the winning song inevitably sells well, but the trick lies in sustaining momentum post-Eurovision, as Bucks Fizz have contrived to do.

Oddly enough, Abba would be hard pressed to win today, for a recent change in the rules has *meant* that contestants must now perform in their native tongue, and the international audience had shown itself conspicuously unenthusiastic about citizens, however attractive, singing "o"s with lines through them. This adjustment to the rules does rather play into the *hands* and pockets of *L'Irlande* and *Le Royaume-Uni*, and makes the hunt for an acceptable nonsense language more feverish elsewhere.



Bardo, the United Kingdom duo who hope One Step Further is a winner

The voting does take a satisfyingly long time with, in a vintage year, plenty of international misunderstandings. Each participating country has a panel of just plain folks which has points *to apportion* amongst its favourites.

Two years ago the Norwegians burned their country's name splendidly into the mythology of Eurovision by being the first nation to fail to collar a single point or, in French, the other language of the competition, *points.* They duplicated this fine achievement last year. This year and in my view rather *unsportingly, the Norwegians* have hand-hewn their song according to advices received from an expert on the Eurovision Song Contest.

There are those who tend to be rather superior about the contest. Ignore them. When the lights dim and the first of eighteen Willys, Dolfs, *Maria* Joses, Emiles and Harrys, each sporting a moustache of the type normally associated with Australian cricketers, steps forward to conduct the orchestra, my pulses will quicken, and when our representatives, a boy/girl duo named Bardo, are summoned, my heart will be with them one hundred and ten per cent.

John Peel

The author broadcasts at 10pm nightly, Monday to Thursday, on Radio 1.



Autumn-time is apple-time and apples make cider. It is the end of October. Time to pay a visit to the Twomeys.

The Twomeys do not live in Barley; strictly speaking their farm is in the next parish, at Linton St Leonard, but it always seems to me as *if it exists on some other* world entirely, the Twomeys and their amazing place are creatures from some crazy, surrealistic storybook, from a past that never was and a present that cannot possibly be. I often wonder, moreover, if The Authorities know about the Twomeys.

All around their four-square stone farmhouse are outbuildings, barns, stables, styes, sheds, all in the most appalling state of disrepair. Corrugated tin roofs hang *askew and have gone rusty or* else have grass and weeds growing out of them, slates and tiles have slipped and fallen, roofs are bowing in the middle, doors swing open on broken hinges, or are propped up with old cans and stakes. The house is a sorry sight of peeling paintwork and tatty curtains and the odd boarded-up window pane.

The Twomeys gave up *keeping animals more than* 10 years ago, though they still go to market, regular as clockwork. No one knows why. No one knows how old they are, either, but they can't be far off 70, and maybe they are much more. They have that timeless, old-young look peculiar to babies, orientals, very *old* men and creatures out of science fiction and fantasy.

The Twomeys are brothers, not actually twins, but as near as makes no difference, for they look more or less alike, and what they look like are, roughly, Tweedledum and Tweedledee. *What their* Christian names are I do not know. I doubt if anyone does, except they themselves. They are universally known as "Twomeys", and each of them is addressed to his face as Mr Twomey by everyone, and they call each other nothing but "He".

"Mr Twomey!!" Eventually, one of them, I don't know which, emerges, and just behind him stands the other. They look quite pleased to see me, they grin and nod and bob and look at each other furtively and roll their eyes. This is a characteristic of the Twomeys, they are never still. They remind me of those fat, bald toys with loose eyes and rounded bases which, when pushed, rock over and back, over and back, eyes revolving. The Twomeys rock to and fro on their heels now.

One of them is a fraction *taller than the other and he is* the one who never starts a sentence. His brother never *finishes one*, so you talk to the two of them in concert, glancing uneasily between. They have little round heads without much hair left on them and round pot bellies hanging over their trouser tops. They wear collarless grey shirts, corduroy trousers with braces and boots, and they may have worn these same clothes night and *day since they first grew into* them.

Everyone agrees that it is best not to inquire or to speculate too closely as to what exactly goes into Twomeys cider, locally known, as the brothers themselves are known, as just "Twomeys". *Huge* wooden vats stand open in the great shed, and stories go that bats drop in and rats climb up *and fall* over the edge and decompose and it all adds to the flavour of the scrumpy. I don't know. But it tastes wonderful, mellow and still and smooth, and it packs a kick like an old mule.

The Twomeys have an old pick-up truck which they drive about the countryside from farm to farm, *private* house to smallholding, buying up apples. They do have a few trees of their own, but nothing like enough to supply the quantity they require. If you have an apple tree or trees and can't, or don't want to use the fruit, and do want to make "a few bob", you call up Twomeys, *and along* they come.

They are, I am told, extremely astute businessmen. They buy cheaply and make their cider for virtually nothing and sell it at a profit which is compounded, everyone is certain, by being undeclared and tax-free, for the Twomeys do not advertise their produce, not by so much as a hand-chalked *board on the side* of the road, all their business comes by word of mouth. People drive *for miles to get Twomeys.*

You have to bring your own receptacle, barrel or jug or old demi-john, otherwise you must risk taking away the cider in unmarked polythene containers with handles which are lying around the Twomey's yard, and doubtless once contained tractor oil or disinfectant.

Rumour has it that, as Twomeys have never been seen to go to the bank, and *that when they visit the post* office it is only to collect their pensions, never to pay anything into a savings account, they have socks or old mattresses upstairs in the ramshackle farmhouse, stuffed with money. Rumour has an awful lot of things about Twomeys.

They seem to be supremely contented men, needing nothing and no one, neither wife nor *child, friend or* neighbour, only each other. Most of the time I let myself think what everyone else thinks about them, that they are immortal. Certainly they don't fit into the twentieth century, or into any other century, for that matter. They never go away, have no television sets, they do not take a newspaper. I wonder what they do do?

I also wonder, from time to time, what will happen to the survivor when the first brother dies, for they seem to be inextricably interdependent, like Siamese twins, or the face and obverse of some coin. And what will happen to their premises — where cider-making is the only activity and everything is so *fallen* into decay and disuse?

I said all this to Mr Elder, the evening after I'd collected my scrumpy. He sniffed. "Them," he said. "Don't you fret *about them.* They'll have something up their sleeve, never you worry."

Perhaps. Anyway, I liked the fact that he apportioned *one* sleeve between the two of them.

This article is the final edited extract from The Magic Apple Tree, by Susan Hill, which has just been published by Hamish Hamilton.

TIMES PAST THE TIMES

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THE WAR WITHIN

When war clouds gather there is a smell of smoke in the air. Men become passionately keen to discover the locus of the fire and to track down the incendiary. In truth the fire burns in us all, but men prefer to engage in contest with the external symbols of their internal struggles, than to let it take place within the spirit. Thus man's natural aggressive instincts spread outwards. The symbols of aggression are well known, and its targets the very neighbours whom Christians are exhorted to love under the second great Commandment.

War and the Christian conscience have never been wholly reconciled. The prospect of war, with its panoply, with its drums, with all its holent contradictions, troubles Christians, as we can see from the contradictory statements which have been issued recently by distinguished churchmen of different denominations, either questioning or endorsing the morality of the Falklands expedition; and from both sides of the line.

Contemporary debates about nuclear weapons have overshadowed a much older discussion about the general nature of war and its place in Christians' thinking. There are two respectable traditions; one of total pacificism, the other based on the doctrine of the "just war" perhaps more properly described as the justifiable war.

'Thou shalt not kill' would *seem to provide the moral* basis only for an absolute pacifism, as honorable a state as monasticism. But from very early on in the history of Christendom it was recognized that not all Christians could disengage from the world of the possible. Indeed the need to spread the word, and administer to an ever widening world of believers made it imperative that most Christians stayed involved in the real world rather than withdrawing into a personal redoubt of purity — witnessing but not participating.

The doctrine of the just war emerged first with St. Augustine and was developed later by St. Thomas Aquinas. Though it has come to merit scrutiny and rescrutiny under the penumbral threat of nuclear annihilation, its principles remain intact. Its relevance to the issue of the Falkland Islands crisis is clear. The conclusions that can be drawn from it are not absolute, one way or the other, but they certainly should permit Christians in Britain and Argentina to feel both a deep sadness at the prospect of war and an acceptance that it can happen, and has often happened, between Christians. Religion helps us all to see paradoxes in human behaviour and to accommodate them — by enabling us through understanding to accept that they need not and should not become intolerable.

So we come to the paradox of Christians at war. The one exception to the commandment "Thou shalt not kill" is that which entitles people to participate in the preservation of security of their fellow men. The injunction to love thy neighbour must in practice imply a preferential possibility among one's neighbours. In the name of love, or *charity*, the Christian sanction which legitimises the use of force to repel aggression against one set of neighbours is that it would lead to a lesser evil, when the greater *evil is that more* suffering would ensue from a failure to resist that aggression. It is not therefore an exception to the rule of loving thy neighbour, so much as a part of the rule itself.

Aggression knows no natural limitations. There have been technical limitations in warfare which have decreased with the advance of the technology of killing. These advances have only been partially mitigated by international conventions to control conduct in war. The world has become more secular in its morality, and the more secular a society the more it might be tempted to believe that the only real constraint on the conduct of war is the possibliity of retaliation in kind.

There is a different constraint in Christian doctrine. Blind obedience to a higher earthly authority is always tempered by the Christian's understanding that he is a citizen of two cities — the temporal and the eternal. He can have *no absolute loyalty* to the first if it conflicts with his moral commitment to the second.

It is therefore important in the case of the Falklands affair to keep clear in the public conscience the moral context behind every policy decision. That should be the message of the Church. Just war can only be just if it is caused by injustice — aggression; if its aims are the restoration of justice — for the greater good of the world as a whole; and if its conduct is conditioned by the doctrine of minimum force. That must mean that the necessity — not the intention but simply the unsolicited necessity — to kill people must be confined to those directly involved or clearly co-operating with the force which has to be resisted.

As St. Augustine said

"The wise man will wage just wars; for if they were not just he would not wage them and would therefore be delivered from all wars for it is the wrongdoing of the opposing party which compels the wise man to wage just wars; and this wrongdoing even though it give rise to no war, would still be matter of grief to man because it is man's wrongdoing".

Above all, the eternal objective, even if it has to be reached through war, must be a better peace.

CONFLICT CANNOT FREE CAMBODIA

The regime installed in Cambodia in January, 1979, by the invading Vietnamese army is still not recognized by anyone but the Soviet block and India. A majority of the United Nations voted in 1980 and 1981 for the ousted Pol Pot regime, now once again the Khmer Rouge guerrillas, but less from any desire to restore this blood-soaked band to power than to condemn Vietnamese intervention and the installation of what was assumed to be a puppet government.

The member states of Asean soon realized that the problem would not remain static. Believing that this year's session of the United Nations General Assembly would look for new solutions to the Vietnamese presence in Cambodia they adopted a plan for a coalition of the Khmer Rouge with Prince Sihanouk and Son Sann, an anti-communist former government minister. They hoped that China could be persuaded to back the idea and provide arms.

This looked neat but had little hope of success. The Chinese were willing to divert some arms to Prince Sihanouk and Son Sann but this did nothing to change their view that only guerrilla pressure would effect a Vietnamese withdrawal. Any likelihood that the Khmer Rouge would cede their dominant power in favour of the coalition seemed to drain away. Meanwhile the fissures between all the countries involved in the Cambodian problem have grown wider.

The fissures are visible on both sides of the ideological divide, which anyway is hardly an accurate description. There are past rivalries surfacing, such as that between Thailand and Vietnam over Cambodia; Malaysia and Indonesia translate their fear of the Chinese in their midst into a greater fear of China's intentions in South-East Asia than of Vietnam's; the Thais prefer China as a powerful friend; the Vietnamese have been prepared to deal with Asean in this matter if it leaves China out of any settlement; China insists that Vietnam must be evicted from Cambodia since it is the expansionist power threatening the region.

On the other side the division between Vietnam and the Russians emerged last December and continues. In face of these mounting differences the latest Vietnamese proposal is for direct negotiations with Thailand over the Cambodian border — that is to say over refugee camps and arms supplies to guerrillas. They have backed this proposal with a fresh campaign against the Khmer Rouge, who have lately taken a fair battering.

Underneath this complex cat's cradle of suspicion and rivalry created by outside powers there are the luckless inhabitants of Cambodia. International righteousness over invading armies, puppet governments and doctrinal banners can hardly concern them. What matters is good order and the chance of getting a living. According to independent western academics, aid workers and visiting journalists a fair attempt to provide that has been made during the three years of the Heng Samrin government. It is not imposing economic and social policies warped by communist theory; it has been described as the least authoritarian government Cambodia has had since it became independent. It certainly has a communist core; but among its ministers and other officials are men from every tributary of the country's nationalist and revolutionary movements. If it is dependent on Vietnam, the failing coalition on the other side is also absolutely dependent on outside support.

It is therefore wrong to imagine that a satisfactory solution can be achieved by one rival government defeating another in guerilla warfare. This would be too damaging. What is needed is dialogue between the two, taking in other Cambodians outside the country. This should not be impossible. There are no clear ideological lines. Nor is Cambodia a country that could sustain an unyielding communist regime for the foreseeable future. Ideally it should be non-aligned and neutral between Thailand and Vietnam. Talks pointing in this direction might begin to create conditions in which Vietnam would become more interested in discussing withdrawal.

FROM LONG MARCH TO SHORT PUTT

First King James the Fourth of Scotland; now the government of China. As history gets longer in the tooth it repeats itself more and more often, like a soap-opera whose scriptwriters have lost interest or a comedian in his dotage. In China today, as in Scotland 500 years ago, the game of golf insinuates its way into the favour of those most implacably hostile to it. In 1491 King James issued an edict banning the game as a distraction from more martial pursuits. But only a few years later the confidential accounts of his household (now no longer restricted under the Official Secrets Acts) record the purchase of golf clubs and balls: the king had capitulated to the national obsession.

Now China has gone the same way. A course is being laid out at Zhongshan, near Macao — initially, it is reported, for the benefit of capitalist tourists from Hongkong, where there is scarcely room to swing a driver. But the Chinese are quite as prone to seduction by games of the obsessive kind as the Scots. The Rubik cube is already making inroads in such spare time on the collectives as is not occupied by mah-jong played with lightning dexterity. It is probably only a matter of time before the thwack of the niblick is heard from the Himalayas to the Yellow Sea.

It would be quite wrong to suppose that this is the first time golf has been played in China. Although neither Marco Polo nor Ibn Battutah mention the game it is entirely possible that future researches will show that it originated there, like printing, gunpowder, spectacles and heavier-than-air flight. Certainly there was a golf club at Shanghai as long ago as 1896. But the game disappeared under Mao Tse-Tung, who seems never to have shown the least aptitude or sympathy for it. The supposition that his famous Long March of the 1940s was in search of a ball sliced into the rough near Kiangsi, and that this fruitless journey permanently jaundiced his attitude to the game, has no serious validity.

Today hostility towards things foreign has relaxed, and golf is able to return. It should appeal to the Chinese character as strongly as it does to that of the Japanese, who did not start to play until a few years after 1896 but now claim 50,000 devotees. The Confucian concept of *Tao*, a quality of perfection acquired through virtue and incessant self-discipline, is familiar to all who have been engrossed by a game played as much against oneself as against one's opponent, a rigorous contest between man and Newton's Laws of Motion. No bearded sage in contemplation in a picturesque hovel or upon a crag is more rapt than the golfer described by Wodehouse (one of the few writers to treat the game as seriously as it deserves), endlessly polishing his follow-through in resolute disregard of the deafening noise of the butterflies in the next field.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Proposed reform of coroners' courts

From the Hampshire County Coroner

Sir Mr Michael Meacher, MP (April 13) might have been expected to get his facts right. To say that there is no right of appeal against a coroner's verdict is of course incorrect. On application to the divisional court to quash the inquisition the court may order a fresh inquest to be held before a different coroner. Legal aid is available.

Mr Meacher proposes that any inquests where there is prima facie evidence of violence or neglect in custody should be removed from coroners and dealt with by a High Court judge. This is a very strange proposition. Coroners are trained to deal with such cases; judges are not. Coroners are experienced in the procedure appropriate to an inquiry; judges are used to trials where the adversarial principles apply.

The purpose of an inquiry is different from that of a trial. The mere fact that there have been one or two cases in the recent past (the Deptford fire inquest for example) where there has been criticism of the coroner's handling of the inquest does not in my view justify the change suggested by Mr Meacher.

So far as the civilianization of coroners' officers is concerned, most coroners are against this idea. The police officer has all the facilities of the police force at his disposal and the authority of the law behind him. He or his deputies are available during evenings and at weekends. There would be considerable difficulties involved in obtaining civilian staff to work in this way.

There are two points in Mr Meacher's article which in my view have some merit. I would wholeheartedly support his plea that legal aid be made available for representation before coroners' courts and indeed all tribunals. This is something which the Law Society has been urging for many years. In the present economic climate, however, I fear that it is unlikely to happen.

Secondly, there is an argument *for greater disclosure to legal* representatives of information and reports in advance of the inquest to enable them to prepare their cases and not be taken by surprise. This is a matter for the discretion of the individual coroner and could well be used more extensively.

In conclusion, Mr Meacher on his own admission is concerned about a tiny minority of inquests in which the issues have been complex and disquiet has been *expressed (rightly or wrongly)* about the proceedings themselves or the result. His proposed remedy is to take the proverbial steamroller to crack a nut.

Yours faithfully,
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Hampshire,
April 16.

Falklands issue a case for The Hague

From Sir Derek Walker-Smith, QC, MP for Hertford East (Conservative)

Sir, In your powerful leader (April 21) you say: "Perhaps Britain should suggest to Argentina that it (the issue of sovereignty) is now taken to The Hague, where it belongs more than in the operations rooms of opposing navies." I respectfully support that view.

One of the several mysteries in the Falkland Islands imbroglio is the position of the parties regarding a reference to the International Court of the question of sovereignty. On Monday the Foreign Secretary told the Commons that he had no reason to think that the Argentines had changed their objection to allowing the matter to go to the International Court, what time his colleague Lord Belstead, while confirming that the Argentines had never shown any interest in referring the sovereignty question to the International Court, made it clear that the British Government had not proposed such a reference, and has never suggested to any Argentine Government that the Falkland Islands dispute should be referred to the International Court.

Against the background of the Charter this is an odd situation. The position under the Charter is clear.

Article 33 of the UN Charter imposes an obligation of parties (i.e. states) in dispute to seek *first of all a solution by one or* more peaceful means, which specifically includes arbitration. Such arbitration is entrusted to the International Court of Justice, which, by Article 92, is constituted "the principal judicial organ of the United Nations" whose Statute is annexed to the Charter and forms "an integral part" of it. By Article 36 of the Statute "the jurisdiction of the Court comprises all cases which the parties refer to it." Clearly therefore the dispute as to sovereignty, in its essence a matter of law, is appropriate for reference to the Court.

Why then has neither party suggested a reference? There *appears to be no logical reason.* The Court exists for the resolution of such disputes and has the necessary expertise. We believe we have a good case in law. Why then hesitate?

To view the possession of a good case as a disincentive to going to court is a novel concept to me. Or is each party waiting for the other, like the Earl of Chatham and Sir Richard Strachan at the battle of Walcheren? And is the junta giving as a reason for its inaction the alleged *indifference of the British*, just as Foreign Office ministers are ascribing their inaction to the indifference of the Argentines?

There are in effect four methods of resolving an international dispute. There is negotiation, *with or without an honest* broker; there is arbitration; there is what Continental lawyers call an "amiable compositeur", such as is provided for, if the parties so wish, in commercial disputes by Article 13 of the Rules of the Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce; and, finally, there is war.

The first method has been tried with the help of the praiseworthy and pertinacious efforts of Secretary Haig. But of course his role was confined to that of honest broker, in effect a go-between peddling the propositions of the parties to each other. He was never entrusted with the superior role of "*amiable compositeur*" with the power to prescribe his own solution.

No doubt the parties did not want to give him such a role. Nor was it indeed necessary in view of the machinery of arbitration, readily available under the auspices of the United Nations.

No further time should in my view therefore be lost in putting the suggestion to the Argentines and arranging a reference to the Court, subject only to prior withdrawal of Argentine troops in compliance with UN Resolution 502. *This need not involve* any interruption of simultaneous negotiation. Indeed it may well help and expedite. This pattern, a commonplace in commercial arbitrations, may well be reflected in this arbitration between states.

There will thus be two mechanisms operating simultaneously to prevent the evil of the fourth method, resolution by conflict, and to give effect to the principle enunciated by Sir Winston in one of his less gradiloquent but nevertheless relevant aphorisms, "Jaw-jaw is better than war-war" — the formal method of arbitration and the less formal negotiating talks that would accompany it.

These are the advantages of resort to arbitration. There may be countervailing disadvantages, but if so, nobody has yet spelt them out. Unless some hitherto unknown obstacle is identified, I think we should let the prescribed procedures have their chance before perhaps sadly it is too late.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
DEREK WALKER-SMITH,
House of Commons.
April 22.

Initial stages in European printing

From Dr Lotte Hellinga

Sir, May I through the hospitality of your columns comment briefly on the "challenge to the history of printing" reported by you on April 12? The challenge consists *of a theory, based on small* initials stamped below 12 miniatures in a Book of Hours, written c.1430, which will be offered for sale at Sotheby's on June 21. Similar stamps, presumably artist's signs, are found in some five other manuscripts *now known*, all belonging to the same school.

Dr Christopher de Hamel believes that the book offered at Sotheby's was produced in Haarlem and builds round this assumption the theory that the small initials may have been a primitive form of printing with "letters"; he connects this with the ancient legend of the invention of printing by Laurens Janszoon Coster in Haarlem.

All experts agree that stylistically the manuscript belongs to a group of *Hours produced in the* northern Netherlands, partly intended to be traded far and wide. Some were destined for use in England. The *city of Utrecht* was at this time especially known for a flourishing trade in such *books*.

The crucial point in Dr Hamel's theory is in placing the production of the book in Haarlem. His argument for doing so is the appearance of St Bavo, patron saint of the City of Haarlem, in *the otherwise rather* featureless calendar listing feast days for the use of Rome.

St Bavo, *however*, was also, and in the first place, the patron saint of the City of Ghent. On inspection of the manuscript it appeared that there is a second unusual saint in this calendar who is found on the same page as St Bavo: it is St Donatian, patron saint of the City of Bruges, and exclusive to that city where his relics were kept. When taken together the two saints, patrons of the two great Flemish cities, indicate that this book was intended for a client in the county of Flanders, and that it had nothing whatever to do with the City of Haarlem, nor with the legendary Laurens.

Yours faithfully,
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April 20.

University Principal

From Professor Lord McGregor of Durris

Sir, The Vice-Chancellor of the University of London does not write (April 21) for all his colleagues. He asserts that what you published about the principalship of the university was "irresponsible", "seriously disturbing", deserving of "vigorous reproof" and requiring "profound apology".

If the information is accurate and was honourably obtained I think, to the contrary, that you are to be congratulated on responsible and enterprising journalism because developments in a "great university" lie in the public domain. If there has been irresponsibility, it was in the failure of those connected with the appointment of a new Principal to observe that confidentiality which candidates for posts are entitled to expect.

The Vice-Chancellor is really pleading that you, Sir, should have remedied his university's indiscretion by restraining your Education Correspondent from doing her proper work. His view of how the press should behave is comforting for administrators but, like that of many in authority in concentrations of power, damaging to the cause of freedom of information.

Yours faithfully,
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April 22.

Worship and doctrine

From the Reverend Peter M. Hawkins

Sir, It is good to know that Mr *Frank Field, MP, (April 16)* considers that there are advantages to the Church of England in its relationship with the state. It does not look like this from where I work as the incumbent of a large urban parish. My Roman *Catholic colleague* has a much easier task than I because he does not have any of the responsibilities of being established.

In the history of the Church in England the state has had an avaricious role in the nationalization of Church property without compensation. Only very rarely has the state provided the Church with funds to do its work, and in modern times it has continued to tax the Church lamentably by imposition of VAT and the arbitrary raising of national insurance contributions.

I am required to baptise all children and other persons without question who come to me, even though I know that I shall not see most of them again. I may only delay for the purpose of preparation: I must not delay unduly. I am required to marry all persons who come to me by application for the calling of banns, whatever their religion. If I wish to demolish the parish church it only needs one objection for the matter to be taken all the way to the Privy Council.

The lawyers and the Commons (which has many lawyers) have made a nonsense of ecclesiastical law so that the discipline of the Church of England, or rather its lack, is a byword in the Anglican Communion.

Finally I am prohibited from sitting in the Commons, even if I get elected as a member, so it is not possible for me to answer the curiosities produced by the Commons except through the courtesy of your columns.

Many of us who listen to the debates in the Commons are not at all happy that such a Chamber should be responsible for the affairs of the Church. It is appalling that appointments within the Church are still at the mercy of Prime Ministers who are not even members of the Church of England.

The Anglican Church worldwide has grown from the Church of England and Ireland, and the Episcopal Church of Scotland, and only in England is it established and therefore open to interference from the Commons. The Church of Scotland does not permit such nonsense. It is time we called a halt to this and told the Commons what we think of them.

Yours faithfully,
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Classics in declension

From Dr John Percival

Sir, All over the country there are teachers of classics endeavouring, *in the face of government* cuts, unsympathetic local authorities and hostile headmasters, to maintain the tradition of Greek and Latin studies to which Mr Austin Davis (April 19) is rightly devoted. Many of them work without the support of colleagues in the discipline, and are prepared, in the interests of their subject, to give classes outside the normal school timetable and in addition to their normal workload.

There are various ways in which we can support them. One, no doubt, is to write letters to *The Times* deploring the fact that fourth-form boys can no longer write Greek verses in the Sapphic metre. Another is, like Philip Howard, to cheer them up by articles which emphasise the brighter aspects of their situation. Another, which is the concern of organisations like the Classical Association and the Joint Association of Classical Teachers, is to do everything we can to provide them with practical encouragement and help.

The great British public, if it takes any interest in this matter at all, will be able to decide for itself which of these is the most *constructive*.

Yours sincerely,
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Surgeon's hungry allies

From Mr R. Bradley-Moore

Sir, May I expand Mr M. A. Taylor's letter published in your issue of April 17. The weather sense of a leech was recognized several hundred years ago. Thus William Cowper, writing in November, 1787, to his dear cousin Lady Hesketh, says:

I have a leech in a bottle that foretells all these . . . convulsions of nature . . . in point of the earliest and most accurate intelligence, *he* is worth all the barometers in the world . . . to foretell thunder . . . a capacity of which he has given the most unequivocal evidence. I gave but sixpence *for him*, which is a groat more than the market price. . . .

The so-called "Tempest Prognosticator" was made by Dr Merryweather, of Whitby, and was exhibited at the Exhibition of 1851. The thoughtful inventor arranged *his 12 leeches in a circle* "in order that the leeches might see one another and not endure the afflictions of solitary confinement".

A replica was made for our 1951 Exhibition, to stand in the *meteorological section of the* Dome of Discovery; and I think the Science Museum, South Kensington, has — or had — one of these instruments on exhibition.

Yours sincerely,
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Garlic in lobster

From Mr Stephen Carlill

Sir, I hesitate to cross swords with a "Great European Eater" (Robert Courtine, April 17) but *I must question his statement that* "There is no garlic in lobster l'americaine" (sic).

Controversy surrounds this dish and there are many variants; Escoffier in *Ma Cuisine* includes "a little scrap of garlic", and Pierre Huguenin, who claims that his recipe was given to his mother by the *inventor* of this dish, includes a *head* of garlic. Finally the recipe in *Larousse Gastronomique* includes garlic.

These are only three of a great many versions of Homard a l'Américaine.

Yours faithfully,
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April 17.

Parliament of rogues

From Prebendary John C. de la T. Davies

Sir, Carrion crows and rooks have been at it again.

Up to about a dozen years ago they were too few to be a nuisance, but the swallows and swifts also had almost disappered. With the great reduction in use of Aldrin and Dieldrin two of the ancient pleasures of summer have returned, to watch the family life of the swallows *and the massed aerobatics* of the swifts. The crows and rooks have also returned.

Last winter in the snows my son-in-law, a farmer here in the Golden Valley, had three healthy pregnant ewes attacked by crows or rooks which pecked out their eyes. The sheep all died after a few days.

They are wary birds; one cannot normally get within gunshot range of them, but we could see a large parliament with two or three parties constantly perched or flying near the flock, and when there were no people about they attacked. They also attacked the roots which were the winter feed for the flock, and every pecked swede died and rotted in the next frost.

The local saying is, "If it's one or two they are crows, if a parliament they are rooks". One day we hid in the fog near the flock. We could hear the parliament debating, and as the party leaders swooped in we shot three, and found to our surprise that they were crows. The two species can only be distinguished by close examination of the bill and the plumage round its root. Apparently in winter the crows join the parliament, and with their more militant tendency, *teach the others to rook the* sheep.

After the snows had gone a fourth healthy pregnant ewe was attacked, had one eye pecked out and a deep hole gouged out of its flank. It died. This week a mother ewe was killed in the same way, leaving two orphan lambs.

Has the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, or indeed has anybody, a useful suggestion for preventing this terrifying cruelty to sheep? If a young man with a knife picked out a sheep's eye and gouged a *hole in its side he could expect to* be prosecuted for cruelty, but the members of this parliament are by nature emune from prosecution, and our human Parliament has made it unlawful to poison them.

The best thing we know is to shoot the nests at this time of the year with buckshot, in the hope of smashing some eggs, and to take advantage of the few days next month when the young birds are learning *to fly, the only time* when they can be approached within gunshot range.

Sincerely yours,
JOHN C. de la T. DAVIES,
Peterchurch Vicarage,
Hereford.
April 16.

Pinning one's faith

From Mr A. A. Clay

Sir, Mrs Stalbow (April 15) and Mr Seigal (April 21) having railed against the *difficulties* caused by modern things, may I sing the praises of something very old-fashioned?

My wife has just persuaded me to discard my old gardening trousers. I have removed 19 safety pins which have been placed in various strategic positions over the years — not one of them has every let me down, and one was a nappie pin used for one of my children over 30 years ago!

Yours sincerely,
A. A. CLAY,
Blue Waters,
Mortehoe,
Woolacombe,
Devon,
April 21.



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WINDSOR CASTLE
April 23: His excellency the Philippine Ambassador and Madame de Stilianopoulos, His Excellency the High Commissioner for Singapore and Mrs Jek, the Lord and Lady Forte, the Right Hon Sir Keith Joseph, Bt, MP, Sir Peter and Lady Saunders, the Reverend Professor Owen Chadwick, DD, and Mrs Chadwick, and the Reverend Fred and Mrs Wilson have left the Castle.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh gave a luncheon party for The President of the United Republic of Cameroon and Madame Ahidjo at which The Duke of Kent was present.

The following had the honour of being invited: Monsieur Paul Dontsop (Minister of Foreign Affairs) and Madame Dontsop, Monsieur Bello Bouba Maigari (Minister of Economy and Planning), Monsieur Joseph Charles Doumba (Minister in Charge of Missions at the Presidency of the Republic), Monsieur Albert Ngome Kome (Minister of Transport), His Excellency the Ambassador of The United Republic of Cameroon and Madame Bindzi, the Lord Kindersley, Mr Cranley Onslow, MP, and Lady June Onslow, Mr and Mrs Ted Croker, Mr and Mrs Gerald Durrell, Mr and Mrs Jack Reardan, and Mr and Mrs Bryan Sparrow.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
April 23: The Prince and Princess of Wales, Duke and Duchess of Cornwall, arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, this morning in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight upon the conclusion of Their Royal Highnesses' visit to the Isle of Scilly.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips arrived at Manchester Victoria Station in the Royal Train this morning and was received by her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Greater Manchester (Sir William Downward).

Her Royal Highness, President of the Save the Children Fund, later toured and opened the Trinity House Family Centre, and was received upon arrival by the Chairman, UK Child Care Committee, Save the Children Fund (Mr D Allen).

Afterwards The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips was entertained at luncheon at Holy Trinity Parish Hall by the Rector (The Reverend R Salisbury).

This afternoon Her Royal Highness toured the factory of Thomas French and Sons Ltd.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, attended by Miss Victoria Legge-Bourke, later left Manchester International Airport in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight.

KENSINGTON PALACE
April 23: Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, The British Limbless Ex-Service Men's Association (Blesma) was present at a Service of Thanksgiving to mark the Golden Jubilee of the Association, at Westminster Abbey this morning.

Miss Jean Maxwell-Scott was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
April 23: The Duchess of Kent was present this evening at the North Yorkshire Police Senior Officers' Dining Club Dinner at Newby Wiske, North Yorkshire.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight, was attended by Mrs David Napier.

The Duke of Gloucester, president, The Royal Agricultural Society of England, will attend the annual meeting, Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, on May 11. In the evening he will attend the Road Haulage Association annual dinner, Grosvenor House hotel, London.

A memorial service for Sir Rudolph Peters will be held at Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, on April 24 at 2.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr M. I. Grade and the Hon Sarah Lawson
The engagement is announced between Michael, elder son of the late Leslie Grade, and Sarah, youngest daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel Lord and Lady Burnham, of Hall Barn, Beaconsfield.

Captain A. N. Bellamy and Miss C. A. Gepp
The engagement is announced between Andrew Nicholas Bellamy, The Queen's Royal Irish Hussars, son of Captain L. G. Bellamy, MC, and Mrs Bellamy, of Folly House, Great Brington, Northampton, and Charlotte Annabel, daughter of Mr and Mrs T. C. Gepp, of Margaret Roding House, Dunmow, Essex.

Mr J. J. Cronk and Miss K. E. R. Maier
The engagement is announced between John Joe, elder son of Mr and Mrs Joseph Cronk, of Gurnard, Isle of Wight, and Kate Elizabeth Rosamira, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Alan Maier, Charlton Mackrell Court, Somerset.

Mr D. J. Jackson and Miss S. J. Strickland
The engagement is announced between David John, elder son of Mr and Mrs H. W. Jackson, of Chorleywood, Hertfordshire, and Susan Jane, daughter of Brigadier and Mrs N. V. E. Strickland, of South Chailey, Sussex.

Mr M. J. Orpin and Miss C. J. Falla
The engagement is announced between Michael, elder son of Mr and Mrs Brian Orpin, of Ealing, London, and Caroline Jane, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs Peter Falla, of Les Issues, St John, Jersey, Channel Islands.

Mr A. G. Place and Miss T. C. Wayman
The engagement is announced between Andrew George, only son of the late Mr and Mrs D. G. Place, and Teresa Clare, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs M. C. Wayman, of Bickley, Kent.

Mr T. J. Spencer and Miss A. F. Rigg
The engagement is announced between Timothy John, only son of Mr and Mrs J. Spencer, of 24 Castle Avenue, Poulton-Le-Fylde, Lancashire, and Ana Flora, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J. M. Rigg, of Bentmeadows House, Rochdale.

Dr G. M. Tonge and Miss E. A. Hall
The engagement is announced between Glyn Michael, only son of Mr and Mrs T. Tonge, of Alford, Lincolnshire, and Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs F. A. Hall, of Solihull, Warwickshire.

Mr M. St. J. Wells and Miss T.-Y. Lin
The engagement is announced between Martin St John, son of Group Captain and Mrs E. P. Wells, of Marbella, Spain, and Tsui-Ying, daughter of Captain and Mrs Ying Yen Lin, of Taipei, Taiwan.

47,000 runners pipped by the post

By Michael Coleman

The 18,000 chosen to run in the London Marathon a fortnight tomorrow are to recieve their start numbers through the post today. They are non-transferable and the source of much envy among many of the 47,000 people denied them.

Rarely can an event have whipped up such resentment. It will raise tens of thousands of pounds for charity and is helping to uncover more hidden athletic talent than any sporting spectacle previously held.

Voicing a typical view of the disgruntled, a "furious" Mrs J. J. Smith, of Woodford Bridge, Essex, complains in today's Athletics Weekly, the handbook for the dedicated, that too many "celebrities and publicity hunters" have found their way into the race at the expense of serious runners.

Another reader says he has found the perfect answer to the question, "Why aren't you running in the London Marathon?". This is to pause, look a little disappointed and then say: "They won't let me, I'm not a member of Equity."

Birthdays



Barbra Streisand, the actress, who is 40 today.

TODAY: Mr Ralph Brown, 54; Field Marshal Lord Carver, 67; Mr Justice Caulfield, 68; the Marquess of Cholmondeley, 63; Sir Gordon Cox, 76; Sir Charles Empson, 84; Mr Clement Freud, MP, 58; Dame Helen Gardiner, 81; Rear-Admiral Sir Joseph Henley, 73; Admiral Sir Rae McKaig, 60; Mr Justice Park, 72; Mr Joseph Rank, 64; Miss Bridget Riley, 51; Sir Martin Roseveare, 84; Mr John Williams, 41; Sir Richard Woolley, 76.

TOMORROW: Sir Charles Abrahams, 68; Sir George Baker, 72; Mr J. R. Cater, 63; Mr Anthony Christopher, 57; Sir John Clements, 72; Mr Kenneth Davies, 83; Miss Ella Fitzgerald, 64; Professor Meyer Fortes, 76; Lord Gladwyn, 82; Mr W. F. R. Hardie, 80; Lord Hayter, 71; the Earl of Lichfield, 43; Lady Marre, 62; Vice-Admiral Sir Frank Mason, 82; the Rev Marcus Morris, 67; Mr Buster Mottram, 27; Sir James Plimsoll, 65; Sir Stanley Rous, 87; Sir George Schuster, 101; Mr David Shepherd, 51; Sir David Stephens, 72.

Mildred Viscountess Hailsham awards

Mildred Viscountess Hailsham awards are intended to enable girls aged 11 to 18 to enjoy the advantages of a complete education at a girls' public boarding school. The number of awards will vary and their value depend on the basis of family income.

All-round ability is important and orchestral musicians, potential scientists and outstanding games players are particularly welcome.

Applications should be addressed in the first instance to the Headmaster, the Princess Helena College, Temple Dinsley, Preston, near Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG4 7RT. Tel: Hitchin (0462) 2100.

Latest wills

Mr William Joseph Tyler, of Cambridge, left estate valued at £180,281 net. After personal and other bequests totalling £26,200, he left the residue equally between the Salvation Army and the SOS Society.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid):
Armstrong, Mr Thomas Geoffrey, of Ippleden, Devon £323,928
Claley, Miss Mary, of Coventry £245,389
Gaye, Lady, of Bow, Devon, widow of Sir Arthur Gaye £313,825
Haswell, Miss Beatrice Mary, of Penrith £290,330
Kirby, Mr Frederick Charles, of Chesterfield, intestate £286,433

Cranleigh School

Summer Term begins on Sunday. The Easter addresses are by Brother Gregory, SSF, and the Cranleigh lecture by Colonel James Irwin; High Flight Foundation is on May 7. The academic entrance scholarship examination starts on May 10. The 1st XI match against the MCC is on May 18. Speech day (guest speaker, Sir Monty Finniston) and OC day are on May 29. The Preparatory Schools' Tennis Festival is on June 25. Term ends on July 10.

Newman, the painstaking man of letters

John Henry Newman wrote so much — volumes of sermons, scholarly treatises, and many historical and theological works. In addition, he found time to write poetry and two novels, and because of the regard in which his prose style is held he commands a place in our history as a considerable literary figure as well as a most famous divine.

He is one of the greatest of English prose stylists. His *Apologia* and *Idea of a University* appear in present university literature syllabuses. Oxford University groups him together with other Victorian thinkers such as Ruskin, Pater and John Stuart Mill in a paper for its English school.

Newman studied in detail classical writers and the great Anglican divines of the seventeenth century in order to cultivate the fine and precise effects of his style, and he grew to take pains over his own works. As he said himself:

> My book on Justification ... I write, I write again: I write a third time in the course of six months. Then I take the third: I literally fill the paper with corrections so that another person could not read it. I then write it out fair for the printer. I put it by: I take it up: I begin to correct again: it will not do. Alterations multiply, pages are rewritten, little lines creep in and sneak about. The whole page is disfigured: I write again: I cannot count how many times this process is repeated.

The real power of his intellect lay behind the perfected style of his prose writings, in the controlled rhetoric of such a piece as this from his pamphlet, *The Tamworth Reading Room* (1841).

> I consider, then, that intrinsically interesting and noble as are scientific pursuits, and worthy of a place in liberal education, and fruitful in temporal benefits to the community, still they are not, and cannot be, the instrument of an ethical training; that physics do not supply a basis, but only materials for religious sentiment; that knowledge does but occupy, does not form the mind; that apprehension of the unseen is the only known principle capable of subduing moral evil, educating the multitude, and organizing society; and that, whereas man is born for action, action flows not from inferences, but from impressions — not from reasonings, but from Faith.

The *Apologia* of 1864 is a result of his painstaking craftsmanship and a masterpiece of moving prose, which embodies his personality and charm, and transcends the immediate reasons for its composition. Sometimes he spent 16 hours a day working on the book: one particular day he spent 22 hours. The American critic, Lionel Trilling, saw that:

> ... the challenge he offers to one's assumptions is so lively and so real, his sense of the world is so subtle and coherent, and his psychological perception is so complex and shrewd, that any reader who takes pleasure in endangering his own fixed ideas must be grateful for the exhilaration that Newman can give.

The effort of producing the *Apologia* led incidentally to the composition of *The Dream of Gerontius*. Nervous exhaustion made him feel as though he were close to death. He was yet to live another 26 years. Convinced of his approaching end, he was spurred on to complete the *Dream*. It describes Gerontius's soul migrating from death-bed to Purgatory. The poem is marked by its simplicity and sincerity and has some beautiful celebratory lyrics, now popular hymns, such as "Praise to the Holiest in the Heights" and it attracted Elgar to make it the text for his Oratorio of the same name.

He became an important poet in his own time. *The Pillar of the Cloud* was perhaps his most famous poem, now surviving as a hymn, "Lead, Kindly Light, Amid the Encircling Gloom, (Lead Thou Me On)", set to J. B. Dykes's haunting tune "Lux Benigna". Of 179 poems originally published on the *British Magazine* as "Lyra Apostolica", Newman wrote 109 of them, his closest competitor being John Keble with 46. These poems, traditional in style and restricted in subject-matter, have not, however, withstood the criticism of time.

He was a novelist too. *Callista* (1855), tells the story of a third-century martyr. It survives as a curiosity, a rather remorseless and unforgettable novel which describes Callista's sufferings, torture and death with unusual frankness and clarity for the time.

Loss and Gain, an earlier novel of 1848, is a more important work and is fundamentally autobiographical. Those who think Newman lacks a sense of humour will be put right by reading this book. At one point he *describes an Anglo-Catholic* clergyman with a pretty girl on his arm "whom her dress pronounced to be a bride. Love was on their eyes, joy *in their voice*, and affluence in their gait and bearing. Charles [the hero] had a faintish feeling come over him: somewhat such as might beset a man on hearing a call for pork-chops when he was sea-sick." *At other times in* the novel he can be satirical; he describes the Anglican establishment of bishops, deans and heads of colleges in Oxford, "they can't enter church but a fine powdered man runs first with a cushion for them to sit on, and a warm sheepskin to keep their feet from the stones."

Newman had no illusions about his genius: he regarded himself a merely a teller of tales. Literary society held no attractions for him. He admitted himself: "I am hard-hearted towards the *mere* literary ethos for there is nothing I despise and detest more". He did not want to be a poet like Wordsworth or Tennyson, or a novelist like Scott, no matter how much he admired them.

He was always conscious in old age of his own inadequacies. When he was told by *a third-party that a friend* considered him a saint, he responded: "Saints are not literary men, they do not love the classics, they do not write tales. I may be well enough in my way, but it is not the 'high line'." Self-deprecatingly enough he thought he had nothing of the saint about him, and referring to the revered saint of his own order he concluded: "It is enough for me to black the saints' shoes — if St. Philip uses blacking in heaven."

Brian Martin

Diana Geddes, commended specialist writer of the year, and Frank Johnson, columnist of the year, both of "The Times", with their British Press Awards, which they received from Lord Scarman in London yesterday. Miss Geddes has just been appointed Paris Correspondent.

National Gallery adds to Dutch collection

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

The National Gallery added to its collection of Dutch paintings with the purchase at Christie's yesterday of "The Nurture of Bacchus", by Moses van Uyttenbroeck, for £64,800 (estimate £30,000 to £50,000). The picture was bid for on behalf of the gallery by Hazlitt, Gooden and Fox, the Bury Street dealers.

Uyttenbroeck was a leading Hague painter who travelled to Italy and was much influenced by Elsheimer. While the gallery has a superb collection of the home-grown Dutch school of the seventeenth century, it has been trying for some time to extend its representation of artists who came under Italian influence.

Few works by Uyttenbroeck of any quality are known. Yesterday's example was outstanding for painterly quality and charm, *with cows and nymphs disporting* themselves in a ravishing Roman landscape.

Once again pictures needed a special appeal to attract competition. The little star of the day was an eight inch panel by Chardin, "Un jeune écolier qui dessine", which sold for £178,200 (unpublished estimate £100,000 to £120,00) to Artemis. A student in a tricorn hat sits on the floor copying a life study he has pinned to the wall. It is a work of rare charm which exists in several versions.

On middlerange pictures reserves were still set at levels that were *too ambitious* and 48 per cent of the sale was left unsold. A Veronese and an El Greco, not the greatest, were *among the expensive failures*, unsold at £150,000 and £38,000 respectively.

Outstanding Continental porcelain *fetched high prices* in a Sotheby sale in New York on Thursday, with only 6 per cent left unsold. A rare pair of *Frankenthal figures* of Oceanus and Thetis, liberally draped in seaweed and pearls, modelled by Konrad Linck about 1765, sold for $55,000 or £31,250 (estimate $30,000 to $50,000) to a private collector from Utah.

A Frankfurt faience *Enghalskrug*, or jug, of 1680-90, richly painted with a carnation and tulips with later silver-gilt mounts made $28,600, or £16,250 (estimate $15,00 to $25,000).

Twentieth-century ceramics also did well in Sotheby Belgravia's sale of art pottery and studio ceramics yesterday, again with 6 per cent left unsold. A Royal Doulton "Sung" vase of the 1920s, decorated with a wooded landscape, made £5,720 (estimate £1,000 to £1,500) to Gallery 25.

Dinners

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister and Mr Denis Thatcher were hosts at a dinner given at 10 Downing Street yesterday in honour of Mr and Mrs Robin Ibbs and Mr and Mrs John Hoskyns. The other guests were:
Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, MP, and Lady Howe, Mr David Howell, MP, and Mrs Howell, Mr Nigel Lawson, MP, and Mrs Lawson, Mr Norman Lamont, MP, and Mrs Lamont, Lord Thomas of Swynnerton, Sir Raymond and Lady Pennock, Sir Maurice and Lady Hodgson, Sir Ronald Millar, Mr and Mrs Bill Duncan, Mr and Mrs Charles Jenkinson, Dr and Mrs David Craig, Mr and Mrs Alan Howarth, Mr and Mrs Alfred Sherman, Mr and Mrs David Young.
Mr and Mrs Adam Broadbent, Mr and Mrs Tim Lankester, Sir Donald and Lady Maitland, Sir Peter and Lady Baldwin, Mr and Mrs Gordon Downey, Mr and Mrs W S Ryrie, Mr and Mrs Peter Le Cheminant, Mr and Mrs Gordon Manzie, Mr Peter Gregson, Mr and Mrs Alan Bailey, Miss Eileen Mackay, Mr and Mrs Andrew Duguid, Mr and Mrs Clive Whitmore, Mr and Mrs David Wolfson, Mr and Mrs John Vereker and Mr Norman Strauss.

Himalayan Club
The annual reunion dinner of the Himalayan Club was held at the Oriental Club last night. The guest of honour was Mr Ronald Faux. Mr Robim Pettigrew, chairman of the club, and Professor Noel Odell were among those present.

Royal Society of St George
The Royal Society of St George (City of London branch) held their annual St George's Day *dinner and ball at the Brewery*, Chiswell Street, yesterday. The Rev Basil Watson, RN, honorary chaplain, said grace. Mr Bill Willson-Pemberton, chairman, proposed the loyal toasts and the toast of "England" was proposed by Judge James Miskin, QC, Recorder of London. Alderman Hugh Bidwell and Sir Desmond Heap also spoke. The principal guests were:
The High Commissioner for Australia and Mrs Garland, Judge Lord and Lady Dunboyne, Lady Heap, Sir Charles and Lady Cave, Sir Basil and Lady Lindsay-Finn, Mrs J Miskin, Mrs B Willson-Pemberton, Mrs H Bidwell, Rear Admiral and Mrs A J Cooke, the Master of the Distillers' Company and Mrs Brooks, the Master of the Company of Gold and Silver Wyre Drawers and Mrs Nichols, Mr Deputy B L Morgan (branch president) and the President of the City Livery Club and Mrs Horlock.

Cambridge '99 Rowing Club
The Cambridge '99 Rowing Club dinner was held at the University Arms Hotel, Cambridge, yesterday. Mr R. Wick Alsop, who was celebrating his twentyfifth anniversary as president, was in the chair and the other speakers were Mr Justice Nourse, Sir Hector Monro, Bishop Stanley Betts, *Mr Peter Baron (captain)* and Mr David Lane.

The Richard Briscoe Trophy was presented to Mr Wick Alsop by Sir Francis Pemberton, representing the Lord Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire.

Blacksmiths' Company
The Blacksmiths' Company held a dinner at the Mansion House last night. Mr John Green, Prime Warden, presided and the other speakers were the Lord Mayor, the Speaker, Lord Auckland and the Master of the Ironmongers' Company. *Other guests included* Alderman Sir Peter Gadsden and Mr Sheriff Anthony Eskenzi.

St Edward's School Society
Mr W. Bristow Stevenson presided at a London dinner for members of the St Edward's School Society and their ladies held last night at the Army and Navy Club. The Warden of St Edward's School and Mrs Phillips were the chief guests and Mr Terence Henderson, president, was also present.

Service dinners

Honourable Artillery Company
The annual St George's dinner of *the Veteran Company* was held at Armoury House last night. Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, CH, Lord Chancellor, proposed the toast of "England" and Colonel R. D. Hunter responded. General Sir Victor FitzGeorge-Balfour presided.

Suffolk and Norfolk Yeomanry and Artillery
The annual dinner of the Suffolk and Norfolk Yeomanry and Artillery Dinner Club was held yesterday in the Officers' Mess, Blenheim Camp, Bury St. Edmunds. Colonel Sir Edmund Bacon presided, and Sir Joshua Rowley, Lord-Lieutenant of Suffolk, Lieutenant-Colonel D. Stevens and Lieutenant-Colonel D. James were guests.

Luncheon

Protech International (UK) Ltd
Mr Peter Viggers, MP, was host at a luncheon at the House of Commons on April 22 given by Protech International (UK). Those present were Mr S L Garner (managing director), Mr E W Carr, Mr J F Cullis, Dr H W D Hughes, Mr A M Rigg, Mr F E Schuster, Mr K R J Trott, Mr M J Wood and Mr R Young.

Memorial service

Sir Keith Showering
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by Alderman and Sheriff Lady Donaldson, attended a memorial service for Sir Keith Showering held in St Paul's Cathedral yesterday. The Prime Minister was represented by the Hon Alistair McAlpine. The Dean of St Paul's officiated, assisted by Canon Douglas Webster and the Rev Richard Fenwick. The Bishop of Bath and Wells said prayers. Miss Adrienne Showering (daughter) read a passage from *Pilgrim's Progress* and Mr Philip Shelbourne gave an address. Music was played by the Bournemouth Sinfonietta and the soloist was Sir Geraint Evans. Among those present were:

Lady Showering (widow), Mr Francis Showering, Mr Jonathan Showering, Mr Matthew Showering and Mr Daniel Showering (sons), Miss Jane Showering (daughter), Mrs R Hartley, Mrs J Pittard and Mrs J Schiessl (sisters), Mr F E Showering, Mr and Mrs D Pittard, Mr and Mrs J Pittard.

The High Commissioner for Australia and Lady Garland, the Earl of Snowdon, Earl Jellicoe (chairman, Tate and Lyle), Viscount Sandon (deputy chairman, National Westminster Bank, and chairman, International Westminster Bank), Lord and Lady Fraser of Kilmorack, Lord Sieff of Brimpton (chairman, Marks and Spencer), Lord Dowding (Economic League), Lady Rupert Nevill, Lady Jane Howard, Mr Michael Jopling, MP, Mr Gordon Richardson (Governor of the Bank of England) with Lord Benson and Mr David Walker; the Hon Robert Boscawen, MP, the Hon Ralph Mansfield (Hatch, Mansfield and Co), the Hon Maxwell Aitken, the Hon Clive and Mrs Gibson, the Hon Mrs Rose Underdown.

The Hon Sir Richard Butler (president, National Farmers' Union) and Lady Butler, the Hon Jacob Rothschild, Sir Ian MacTaggart, Sir David Burnett, Sir Richard and Lady Levinge, Sir Derrick Holden-Brown (chairman, Allied-Lyons) and Lady Holden-Brown with the directors of Allied-Lyons and subsidiary companies; Sir David Barran (chairman, Midland Bank) with Mr Malcolm Wilcox and Mr J A Brooks; Sir Robert Clark (chairman, Hill Samuel Group), Sir John Sainsbury (chairman and chief executive, J Sainsbury), Sir Donald Gosling (National Car Parks), Colonel Sir Eric St Johnston, Sir Hector Laing (chairman, United Biscuits), Sir Humphrey Prideaux (president, Brooke Bond Liebig), Sir Edward Thompson, Sir Graham Wilkins (chairman, Beecham Group), Sir Alex Jarratt, Sir Patrick Meaney, Sir Alex and Lady Alexander, Sir Reay Geddes, Sir Archibald Forbes, Sir Donald Barron.

Sir David Orr (Unilever), Sir Jack and Lady Lyons, Count Csaky and Dame Elizabeth Frink, Sir Kenneth Corfield, Sir Arthur Norman (chairman, World Wildlife Fund) and Mr George Medley (director), Mr Fred Silvester, MP (representing the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland), Major-General G R Turner-Cain (F and G Smith Maltsters and Crisp Malting), Dr B C Kilkenny (Scottish and Newcastle Breweries) and Mrs Kilkenny, Mr Julian G Kelsey (representing the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food), Mr Peter J Prior (chairman, H P Bulmer Holdings) with Mr Bertram Bulmer, Mr Peter Henshaw (director, Europe, Anheuser-Busch International), the Master, Wardens and members of the court of the Brewers' Company.

Mr Stephen Crabtree (managing director, London Philharmonic Orchestra), Mr and Mrs George Christie (Glyndeborne Productions), Mr and Mrs Edward Courage, Mr Jocelyn Stevens, Mrs Vivien Duffield, Mr Peter Dugdale (managing director, Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Company), Mr and Mrs Lloyd Hartigan (Castlemaine Toohays, Australia), Mr and Mrs Charlie Herbert and Mr Stuart Watson (Heublein, USA), Mr Charles Hughesden, Mr and Mrs Theodore von Mautner Markhof, Mr Kenneth Matiba (East African Breweries, Nairobi), Mr Brian Nicholson ("The Observer") and Mrs Nicholson, Mr Derek Palmar (chairman, Bass) and Mrs Palmar, Mr Leslie Porter (chairman, Tesco), Mr Evelyn de Rothschild (chairman, N M Rothschild and Sons) and Mr Leopold de Rothschild, Mrs F Showering, Mr and Mrs G Selby-Lowndes, Mr and Mrs Charles de Selincourt.

Mr Robert Rhodes James, MP, Colonel and Mrs P L Bradford Laurence, Mr J M W Newman, Mr A K I MacKenzie-Charrington, Mr John Harvey, Miss Patricia Rawlings, Mr Patrick Lynch, Mr D C Tudway Quilter (Wells Cathedral Preservation Trust) and Mrs Tudway Quilter, Mr F L G Griffith-Jones (Holland and Holland) with Mr and Mrs Malcolm Lyell, Mr P G Edwards (Lodge of Love and Honour No 285, Royal Cyrus Chapter No 285 and Mendip Mark Lodge No 781), Mr John Wynne-Williams, Mr Peter Guinness, Mr Richard Sheldon (Wells Rugby Club), Mr John Baring (Baring Brothers), Mr Walter H Salomon, Mr J Luff (Somerset County Council), Mr Colin Atkinson (Millfield School and Somerset County Cricket Club), Mr Nicholas Royds (chairman, Royds Advertising Group), and Mr G L Gordon Clark (director, Matthew Clark and Sons, representing the Wine and Spirit Association.

Scotland's highest dam

From Jonathan Wills, Peebles

At the touch of a button Scotland's highest dam started filling yesterday but it will be another two years before the water in the new Megget reservoir rises 180 feet to the top of the dam.

When the 640-acre reservoir, costing £44, has filled the Megget Valley, near Peebles, it will guarantee water supplies for Edinburgh and the Lothians well into the twenty first century.

The first water was impounded by Mrs Jan Buchanan, of Lothian Regional Council, who closed a valve inside the concrete intake tower. She said that the water supply of 22.5 million gallons a day would be free of fluoride.

Plans for the reservoir began nearly twenty years ago and construction started in 1975. The contractors used more than four million tons of gravel in the project.

Services tomorrow: Second Sunday after Easter

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: HC, 8: M, 10.30, Jub, E W Naylor in A flat, TD, Cruikshank in E flat, Canon Webster; HC, 11.30, A sula (Missa Sine Nomine), Int, Upon this holy Eastertide (Eccard); E, 3.15, Mag and Nunc dimittis (Wood in E), A, Rise heart, thy Lord is risen (Vaughan Williams), Rev I M Mackenzie.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY: HC, 8: M, 10.30, Anzac Day Service, Great Lord of Lords (Wood), The Very Rev W Baddeley, Sung Eucharist, 11.40, Mass in three parts (Byrd): E and S 3.00, Shepherd, First Service, Laetatus est (Cavalli), Rev S Charles; Organ Recital, 6.05: E, 6.30, Rev S Charles.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: HC, 9: Cathedral Eucharist, 11, Missa Brevis in D (Mozart), A, Ave verum (Mozart), Surely thou hast tasted (Rose) Canon Penwarden: Cathedral E, Brewer in D, A, My Beloved Spake (Hadley), Rev G McPhate.

THE QUEEN'S CHAPEL: St James's Palace: HC, 8.30: MP, 11 15, A, Rise heart, thy Lord is risen (Vaughan Williams), Canon Gillingham.

THE QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY (public welcomed): MP, 11.15 TD Gibbons Short Service, A, Blessed Be the God and Father (Wesley), Canon Young: HC, 12.30.

GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks: M, 11, Rev J S Westmuckett: HC, noon: HC, 6.30.

GRAY'S INN CHAPEL: M, 11.15, Cannon James.

LINCOLN'S INN CHAPEL (public invited, entry via Lincoln's Inn Gateway: MP and S, 11.30, A, If ye be risen again with Christ (Gibbons) Rev F. V. A. Boyse.

TOWER OF LONDEN (public welcomed: HC, 9.15, M, 11, TD Stanford in C, A, Dum transisset Sabbatum (Taverner), Rev E. G. H. Saunders.

TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street, (public welcomed): HC, 8 30: MP, 11 15, A, The Lord is My Shepherd (Stafford), the Master.

ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church) (public welcomed): HC, 8.30, MP, 11, Benedictus 560 (Thalben-Ball), A, Ave Verum Corpus (Mozart), The Chaplain: HC, 12.15.

CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace (public welcomed), HC, 8.30: M, 11, TD Ireland in C, A, Since by man came death (Handel), E, 3.30, Brewer in D, A, In exitu Israel (Samuel Wesley).

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: Sung Eucharist, 11, Rev K. Jarvis.

ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street: LM, 8 and 5.15, HM, 11, Bairstow in D, Right Rev A. W. M. Weekes; Solemn E, 6.00, Murrill in E, Rev J. W. Holden.

ALL SOULS, Langham Place: 11, Rev R. Simpson: 6 30, Prebendary M. Baughen.

GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street: HC, 8.15, Sung Eucharist, 11 Missa O Quam Gloriousum (Victoria), Surgens Jesus (Philips); The Rev, Dr A W Marks.

HOLY TRINITY, Brompton, HC, 8; Sung HC, 9, M 11, Rev P. Whitworth: ES, 6.30, Rev S. Millar.

HOLY TRINITY WITH ALL SAINTS, Prince Consort Road, SW7: HC, 8.30, 12.05; Choral MP and S, 11, A, Ego sum pastor (Palestrina), Rev R. Browne.

HOLY TRINITY Sloane Street (Sloane Sq Tube), HC 8.30, HC 10.30 Canon Roberts HC 12.10.

ST. ALBAN'S, Holborn: SM, 9.30: HM, 11, Kleine Orgelmesse (Haydn), The Lord is my shepherd (Rutter); LM, 5.30.

ST BARTHOLOMEW-THE-GREAT PRIORY (AD 1123) HC, 9: M, 11, Weekles (short) A, O God, the Kings of Glory (Gibbons), Deaconess J Woolcombe: E, 6.30, Batten (Fourth Service), A, When the Lord turned again (Batten), Rev Hereward Cooke.

ST BRIDES, Fleet Street: HC, 8.30: Choral M and Eucharist 11, Prebendary D Morgan: Choral E (Sermon in Music).

ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square: HC, 8.30: Sung Eucharist, 11, Stanford in A, A, Sing O Heavens (Amner), The Rector.

ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly: HC, 8.30: Sung Eucharist, 11.00, EP 6.

ST MARGARET'S, Westminster: HC, 8.15 (Said): Choral M and S, 11, Canon Mansel: HC, 12.15 (Said).

ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS: Family Communion, 9.45, the Vicar: MS, 11.15, Norman Ingram Smith: Choral E, 4.15: ES, 6.30, Rev C Hedley.

ST MARY ABBOTS, Kensington: HC, 8 and 12.30: Sung Eucharist, 9.30, Rev M J Thompson: M, 11.15, Rev C Bardsley; E, 6.30, Rev I L Robson.

ST MARY'S, Bourne Street: LM, 8, 9.45, 7.00: HM, 11, Missa sine nomine (Heredia), Ego sum panis vivus (Palestrina), O sacrum convivium (Croce); Prof I Macquarrie: E and Solemn Benediction, 6.15.

ST MARYLEBONE PARISH CHURCH: HC, 8 and 11: Missa O quam Gloriosum est Regnum (Victoria), O quam Gloriosum (Victoria), Rev D Duncan.

ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Square: HC, 8.15 and 12.15: M, 11, Canon de Berry: E, 6.30, Rev E G H Saunders.

ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place, Knightsbridge: HC, 8 and 9: Solemn Eucharist, 11, Missa Brevis (Berkley), Rev J Arrowsmith.

ST PAUL'S, Robert Adam Street: 11 and 6.30, Rev G Cassidy.

ST SIMON ZELOTES, Chelsea: HC, 8; MP 11; EP, 6.30, Rev O R Clarke.

ST STEVENS'S, Gloucester Road: LM, 8, 9; HM 11 Missa Supper Le Blon que l'ai (goudimel), Rev D PRIEST: E and B 6, Rev R Browne.

ST VEDAST, Foster Lane: SM, 11 Missa Brevis (Willis) Christ lag in Todes Banden (Verse III) (Bach), Canon ffrench-Beytagh, Noon, Three hours' devotion, Canon ffrench-Beytagh.

ST COLUMBA'S (Church of Scotland) Pont Street: HC, 11 Rev Dr J Fraser McLuskey, HC 3.00, Rev Dr J Fraser McLuskey: 6.30, Rev W A Cairns.

CROWN COURT CHURCH (Church of Scotland) Russell Street, Covent Garden: 11.15, Rev J Miller Scott: 6.30, Rev G Melvyn Wood.

THE ORATORY, SW7: HM, 11, Missa Brevis (Buxtehude), Agnus Dei in B minor (Bach): LM, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12.30, 4.30, 7: Vespers and Benediction, 3.30, Regina Caeli (Soriano).

ST ANSELM AND CECILIA, Kingsway: SM, 11, Missa "Jubilate Deo" (Matteo Tosi), Lauda anima mea (Samuel Webbe).

ST PATRICK'S, Soho Square: SM, 6pm, Missa Antoniana (Ravanello), Expurgate vetus fermentum (Agazzari).

CHURCH OF OUR LADY, St John's Wood: SM (Latin) 10 45, Missa d'ung Aultre Amer (Josquin), Christus Resurgens (Philips).

THE JESUIT CHURCH, Farm Street 7.30, 8.30, 10, 11 (Sung Latin Mass), 12, 4.15, 6.15.

REGENT SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (United Reformed), Tavistock Place: 11, Miss Bethan Davies, 6 30, Rev W. Reid Findlay.

ST JOHNS WOOD UNITED REFORMED CHURCH (Presbyterian/Congregationalist), Lord's Roundabout, NW8: 11 am, Rev J Miller.

CENTRAL HALL, WESTMINSTER: 11 and 6.30, Rev Dr R John Tudor.

WEST LONDON MISSION, Hinde Street Methodist Church, W1: 11 and 6.30, John Richardson.

CITY TEMPLE, Holborn Viaduct, EC: 11 and 6.30, Rev Dr B Johanson.

WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham Gate: 11, Rev Dr R T Kendall, 6.30, Rev A Bissett.

WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road: M, Rev B E Beck.

OBITUARY

MR E. MARTIN JUKES

Former head of Engineeering Employers' Federation

Mr E. Martin Jukes, CBE, QC, director-general of the Engineering Employers' Federation from 1966 to 1975, has died at Exeter, at the age of 72.

Jukes, a bland and ready advocate with wide industrial experience succeeded to the post at a peculiarly difficult time. British engineering was under increasingly heavy pressure from foreign competition, productivity bargaining and the reform of wages systems were becoming the mode, and the Federation was obliged to maintain its poise and the level of its advisory services through two statutory wages policies, three abortive episodes and one successful but unsatisfactory episode of industrial relations legislation.

In addition, there was a pronounced shift to militancy in the engineering unions which led to the repudiation of the 50-year-old national procedure agreement and a long guerrilla battle over wage rates in 1972.

Under these pressures Jukes was remarkably successful incoordinating and holding together the large and decentralized membership of the Federation, which had lost some of its reputation for toughness and solidarity as a result of the spread of plant bargaining and wage drift. There was no doubt about his doggedness.

He had a physical personality to match — stocky, just above middle height, with a ssquare, humorous face and a quizzical expression. His fertility of persuasion was impressive at a time when many employers were thoroughly demoralized by what they perceived as intolerable constraints from both Government and unions.

Jukes was himself a formalist. He placed perhaps greater reliance on the value of legislation than the outcome justified, and during the great shakeout of engineering labour in 1970-72 underestimated the prospects of recovery of employment. His great talents as a lawyer and negotiator more than compensated for a slightly mechanistic view of the industry as a whole.

The son of Ernest Jukes, Ernest Martin Jukes was born on December 5, 1909, and educated at Merchant Taylors' School and St John's College, Oxford. He was called to the Bar by the Middle Temple in 1933 and won the Blackstone Prize for Common Law.

In the Second World War he was commissioned into the Royal Army Service Corps, reaching the rank of lieutenant-colonel. He saw service in France, Belgium and Germany and at one period was on the staff of SHAEF working on supplies for the areas liberated from the Germans. He was mentioned in despatches.

After the war he returned to the law and his work at the Bar dealt with industrial accidents. He acquired a close knowledge of industrial relations through his professional consultations with employers and union officials on matters affecting conditions of employment and general cases of contract and tort.

He took Silk in 1954 and was a member of the Bar Council from 1952 to 1956 and again in 1964, and in 1963 he was elected a Master of the Bench of the Middle Temple. In 1964 he was appointed a judge of the Courts of Appeal for Guernsey and Jersey. For four years from 1974 he was deputy chairman of the Health and Safety Commission; his appointment as CBE was in 1975.

He married in 1931 Mary Kinloch (née Anderson). They had two sons and one daughter.

BRIGADIER JOHN VAIZEY

Brigadier John Theodore de Horne Vaizey, CBE, died on April 18 at the age of 83.

He was born in 1898 and educated at Charterhouse and the Royal Military Academy. He served in both World Wars and was Assistant Director of Air Warfare, Admiralty from 1943 to 1945. He retired in 1948.

He had contested Hornchurch for the Conservatives in 1945 and after his retirement from the army was active in local government. He served on Essex County Council as councillor and alderman until 1974 and was chairman of the East Anglian Regional Advisory Council for Further Education and was a member of the Court of the University of East Anglia and a member of the Council of the University of Essex.

He was active in many other spheres of the public life of Essex and was apointed CBE in 1969.

He married, in 1932, Cynthia, daughter of Nigel Baring. There were a son and three daughters of the marriage which ended in divorce in 1947.

JUDGE ABE FORTAS

F. R. M. writes:
Two things could be added to your obituary notice of Judge Abe Fortas. In 1962 the Supreme Court appointed him to argue the case of Clarence Earl Gideon, who had written to the Court from jail in Florida, after being convicted without having had legal advice, of breaking into a pool hall. The case was a major test of constitutional law, and Mr Fortas's argument was a brilliant triumph, obtaining a unanimous ruling that the states must provide free legal counsel for the poor in a criminal case.

Less known to the public was the quiet work done by Abe Fortas and his law firm in helping victims of persecution during the McCarthy era. Scores of men and women, some eminent, like Owen Lattimore and Lillian Hellman, but mostly obscure and humble, received legal advice and aid without payment of any fee.

MAJOR A. A. MILLER

A. S. writes:—
Major Alastair Miller died at his home Shotover Park, near Oxford, on April 16 after a long illness.

He was born April 23,1900, the eldest son of Brigadier-General A. D. Miller, was educated at Eton and R.M.C. Sandhurst, and served in the Scots Guards for over 30 years.

On his retirement he took an active part in the welfare of the county of Oxfordshire, being High Sheriff in 1955 and a respected county councillor on countless committees supporting every good cause.

He rode in many point-to-points, and was Master of the South Oxfordshire Hunt from 1950 to 1958.

Prayers for test animals

By Tony Samstag

Today, which has been designated World Day for Laboratory Animals, a number of men and women throughout the land will be praying for the health and well-being of those less favoured species that have come to grief because they are of interest to science.

Intercessionary prayers at perhaps a score of churches and cathedrals will reinforce the more secular activities yesterday, when more than 250,000 signatures calling for a government ban on behavioural and psychological experiments on animals were delivered to Downing Street by a band of anti-vivisectionists *masquerading* as cats, dogs, monkeys, mice and rabbits.

The species *Homo sapiens* stood indicted by the National Anti-vivisection Society, among others, of "procedures on animals which involve the inducement of acute fear and pain, chronic anxiety, experimentally produced stress and neurosis, exposure to aversive stimuli such as electric shock, maternal deprivation, isolation, deprivation of food and water, experimentally induced ulcers, sleeplessness, obesity or drug addiction".

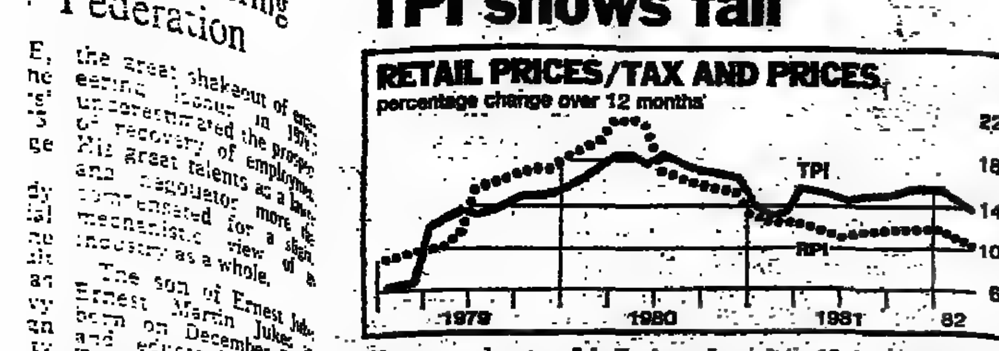
Also presenting the petition were Miss Lynsey de Paul, the singer and Miss Jessica Benton, the actress.

By coincidence the ceremonies *yesterday* and *today* come after yesterday's revelations that anaesthetized sheep had been shot with high velocity bullets used in Northern Ireland, at the Govenment's chemical defence establishment at Porton Down, Wiltshire.

Today is also to see a demonstration there.

BUSINESS NEWS

TPI shows fall



The annual rate of inflation slowed to 10.4 per cent last month from 11 per cent in February and a peak of 22 per cent in the spring of 1980. The tax and price index — which measures the rise on gross pay needed to maintain the buying power of take-home pay — rose by 13.7 per cent in the year of March, down from 14.4 per cent the previous month. The tax changes announced on the Budget, and the higher national insurance contributions, will affect the index for April published next month.

Slight fall in sterling

The pound eased on foreign exchange markets with dealers not wanting to take positions ahead of a weekend of crucial negotiations on the Falklands. Sterling closed at $1.7715, down 50 points, and its index against a basket of currencies slipped 0.4 to 89.8. London money markets were also nervous, though the Treasury bill rate eased slightly at the weekly tender, coming down to 12.89 per cent from 13.19 per cent the previous Friday.

McLeod Russel director goes

Mr John Campbell resigned yesterday as managing director of McLeod Russel after boardroom disagreements over the future policy of the plantations company. Mr Campbell, 35, has been with McLeod eight years, first as financial adviser and managing director since 1979. Last year he master-minded the £25m merger with Warren Plantations group. "The disagreements over policy are such that I could no longer stay but my departure has been as amicable as one could expect," he said. Mr Campbell will remain a consultant to the group.

Iraq wants oil flow boost

Mr Abdel Monem al-Samarai, Iraq's deputy oil minister, has discussed with the Turkish government the possibility of increasing the volume of oil pumped through the pipe-line linking Iraq's Kirkuk oil fields with the Turkish Mediterranean port of Yumurtalik. Sources said Iraq was interested in boosting the annual oil flow to the maximum capacity of 35 million tons and beyond. The Iraqi interest is attributed to Syria's recent shut-down of the pipe-line carrying Iraqi oil across its territory.

Apex plea

Mr Roy Grantham, general secretary of the white collar union Apex, yesterday called on Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Industry, to instruct the British Steel Corporation release information about its engineering subsidiary Redpath Dorman Long which has been sold for £10m to Trafalgar House. Workers' advisers need more details, so far withheld by the BSC, to develop plans for a management-employee buy-out, he said.

● Inco is to put 350 of the 870 employees at its nickel refinery in Clydach, South Wales, on short time working. Nickel pellet and powder production is being stopped temporarily.

● A sharp decline in orders is resulting in the closure of the Stoke-on-Trent pottery company Shaw and Copestake with a loss of 78 jobs.

● Hyster the fork lift truck maker is to build a new factory in Irvine. Last year the company opened a £25m plant in County Armagh.

Amax makes loss

Amax, the big American natural resources group, made a net loss of $5.8m in the first quarter of this year, compared with a profit of $70.1m in the same period of last year. The company's net earnings last year were $231m, less than half 1980 profits.

MARKET SUMMARY

Oil demand continues

LONDON EXCHANGE

FT Index 567.1 down 1.9
FT Gilts 67.61 down 0.06
FT All Share 326.70 up 0.74
Bargains 15,415.

Business remained light in the stock market with investors awaiting the outcome of what could be the last chance of a peaceful outcome to the Falklands crisis.

Oils remained in demand as institutions attempted to increase their weighting in the sector, with BP 8p better at 315p, Lasmo gaining 10p at 349p, Ultramar at 430p up 14p and Shell climbing 10p to 412p.

The FT Index at the close was a shade off its lowest of the day at 567.1, down 1.9.

Bowater were a particularly weak market, shedding 7p to 230p as a line of 260,000 shares overhung the market. A line of 200,000 Tate & Lyle was sold at 200p, 2p below the market price, while Hoover were firm at 100p as the shares responded to losses from its Canadian subsidiary easing 8p to 202p.

Trade in the gilt market was extremely thin but early markdowns of up to £¼ were reversed with prices ending unchanged from the previous close.

Hawker Siddeley continued to reflect good results with an 8p jump to 324p, while Steel Bros. put on 4p to 234p.

Tanween Holdings has an 18 per cent stake, but has not made a bid as stated yesterday.

Taylor Woodrow rallied after recent poor figures with a 15p spurt to 620p, while elsewhere in buildings Tarmac firmed 2p ahead of final results due next week where the market is looking for an increase from £42.2m to about £48m pre-tax.

Royal Insurance dipped 8p to 323p after Mr Daniel Meinertzhagen, chairman, warned that conditions would remain difficult this year and that the turning point in some markets may not be reached until next year.

Meanwhile, Empire stores hardened 2p to 106p as GUS picked up 5m shares. The issue of 833,000 new GUS A shares was used in part payment. GUS ordinary shares were unchanged at 490p with the A at 493p also unchanged.

Building contractor George Wimpey is expected to report full year profits well below last year's £54.94m next week but the shares were unchanged at 107p, ahead of first quarter results which will give and indication of the success of its major rationalization programme.

Near quadrupled profits gave an 18p boost to Stylo with department store group Sentalls gaining 3p at 41p after earnings rose by 50 per cent, but Owen Owen continued to respond to the previous day's losses dipping 10p to 160p.

Profit taking cut 8p from John Menzies at 243p after trading news and the offer for Lonsdale Universal earlier in the week, with Harris Queensway shedding 6p at 168p.

Gareth David

OTHER EXCHANGES

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 7,333.94 up 38.07.
Hongkong: Hang Seng index 1,236.84 up 15.71.

COMMODITIES

● Metals, including gold and silver, and oil heating futures rose yesterday, affected by Middle East tension and the Falklands' crisis. Softs also tended to be stronger.

● On the International Petroleum Exchange heating oil for immediate delivery gained about $5 to $290 a tonne, while the May contract was almost $4 higher at $293 a tonne. These increases have been helped by falling stocks of both crude oil and products, but the market is also underpinned by lower Opec output.

● Among metals, high grade cash copper was £873 a tonne, up £11, and three months high grade closed £9 higher at £903. These two contracts advanced £14 each during the week. Tin also recovered after retreating on Thursday. Cash metal closed at £7,125 a tonne compared with £7,095 and three months rose £30 to fetch £7,352.

● *While the London daily raws* price for sugar declined £3 to £126 a tonne, the May contract put on £5 to £128 and August was about £1 higher at £132. Cocoa bounced back, April adding £9 to close at £900 a tonne and May trading at £926 compared with £919.

CURRENCIES

Sterling eased ahead of a weekend of negotiations on the Falkland issue, losing ground both to the dollar and European currencies. The dollar itself slipped after news of a fall in United States consumer prices in March.

LONDON CLOSE
Sterling
$1.7715 down 50 points
Index 89.8 down 0.4
DM 4.2400
Fr F11.0700
Yen 429.00
Dollar
Index 114.9 down 0.5
DM 2.3865 down 110 pts
Gold
$352.50 up $8.25

MONEY MARKETS

● Trading was nervous and generally quiet ahead of the weekend. The Bank forecast a shortage of £300m and bought £291m of bills at unchanged rates.

Domestic Rates:
Base rates 13%
3 month Interbank 13⅞-13¹¹⁄₁₆

Euro-currency rates
3 month dollar 14¹³⁄₁₆-15¹⁄₁₆
3 month DM 9-8⅞
3 month Fr F 22¼-21¾

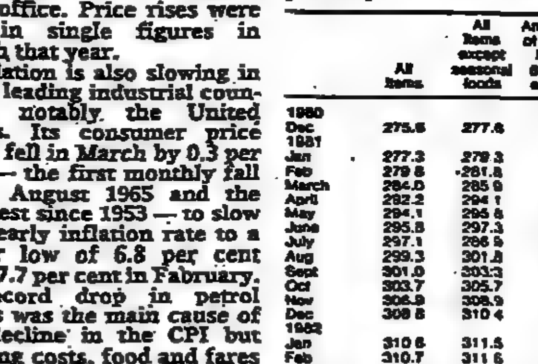
Lonrho set to break Arab boycott

By Philip Robinson

Lonrho has declared an all-out war on its leading Arab shareholders, Gulf Fisheries, with which it has already had two skirmishes.

Last night, Lonrho said that it was considering joint ventures and direct investments in Isreal as a result of a visit there last week by Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowlands, the Lonrho chief, and his fellow director, Mr. Robert Dunlop.

The move, which would break the Arab boycott, is seen as a bold attempt to embarrass Gulf Fisheries, which handles the United Kingdom investments of the Kuwaiti royal family, to such a degree that they will sell their 15 per cent stake in Lonrho.


Rowland: bold move

The trading group's Isreal visit, during which Mr Rowland held talks with Mr Yitzhak Berman, Energy Minister, and Trade and Industry Minister, Mr Gideon Pat, was disclosed in the Tel Aviv newspaper *Haaretz* earlier this week.

It is understood that discussion centred on joint ventures in the elctronics, aviation, mineral exploration and energy industries.

Lorries of Lonrho's 52 per cent owned Egyptian Transport offshoot will start moving on Monday from Cairo to Tel Aviv.

This weekend, another Lonrho team is flying out for further discussions with the Israelis.

Mr Robert Dunlop said yesterday: "The timing is right. We have always tried to anticipate things and we think it is a very good country for business. With the withdrawal from Sinai and the Camp David peace agreement, we thought the time was right. I would have thought that Gulf, which has a very good head for business, would be delighted to see themselves involved in Israel."

But Mr Tom Ferguson, Gulf's London representative, said: "If Lonrho takes steps to get itself on the Arab boycott list, which it would do if it got into Israel, then we would take legal advice to determine whether we could take action against the board and its individual members because by going into Israel they would be putting a major part of their business at risk.

Two years ago, Gulf Fisheries was heavily defeated on a move to elect two of its men to the Lonrho board. A further battle is scheduled next Friday after Gulf's insistence that Lonrho hold a poll of all shareholders on the question of raising its borrowing limits by 50 per cent to £1,464m.

Gulf was granted an ex-parte injunction by the High Court yesterday afternoon giving Lonrho until midnight last night to furnish them with a shareholders' list.

Inflation falls to 10.4 per cent

By Frances Williams

The yearly rate of inflation *fell last* month to 10.4 per cent from 11 per cent in February, and could be into single figures in April. This cheering prospect for the Government rounds off three extraordinary weeks in which consistently encouraging economic news has been completely overshadowed by the Falklands crisis.

The March inflation rate, measured by the increase in the retail price index over the year, is the lowest since May 1979 when the Government took office. Price rises were last in single figures in March that year.

Inflation is also slowing in other leading industrial countries, notably the United States. Its consumer price index fell in March by 0.3 per cent — the first monthly fall since August 1965 and the sharpest since 1953 — to slow the yearly inflation rate to a 4-year low of 6.8 per cent from 7.7 per cent in February. A record drop in petrol prices was the main cause of the decline in the CPI but housing costs, food and fares all came down in March.

At the time of the Budget, the Treasury forecast that inflation in the UK would fall to 9 per cent by the end of 1982. But Government economists are now confident of reaching that target "well before the end of the year", in Mrs Thatcher's words on Thusday.

RETAIL PRICES

Index numbers (January 15 1974=100) for retail prices, not seasonally adjusted, issued by the Department of Employment yesterday

	All items	All items except seasonal foods	Annual rate of increase in Col 2 6 months earlier %
1980			
Dec	275.6	277.8	8.0
1981			
Jan	277.3	279.3	7.1
Feb	279.8	281.8	8.2
March	284.0	285.9	10.2
April	292.2	294.1	15.1
May	294.1	295.8	14.7
June	295.8	297.3	14.7
July	297.1	298.5	14.5
Aug	299.3	301.8	14.7
Sept	301.0	303.3	12.5
Oct	303.7	305.7	8.0
Nov	306.9	308.9	9.0
Dec	308.8	310.4	9.0
1982			
Jan	310.6	311.5	8.6
Feb	310.7	311.6	8.5
March	313.4	314.1	7.3

Retail prices rose 0.9 per cent in March, of which rather less than half was the result of the higher excise duties on alcohol, petrol, cigarettes and car licences. Prices for fresh fruit and vegetables and newspapers and magazines also rose last month.

The retail price index for April will reflect a further round of Budget increases, only half of which came through in March, higher council rents and rates, the rise in London Transport fares, higher gas and electricity charges, and perhaps some rise in petrol prices and fresh food.

Against this has to be set the cut in morgage interest rates from 15 to 13½ per cent and the summer discount on coal.

April is traditionally a heavy month for price rises. But because the Chancellor increased excise duties last year by twice the amount needed to compensate for inflation, April 1981 saw an unusually big jump in retail price index of 2.9 per cent. If the rise this month is less than 2.4 per cent, and the signs are that it will be, the April index to be published next month will show single figure inflation for the first time in this Government's term of office.

The Treasury's budget forecast looked forard to inflation of 7½ per cent by mid-1983.

Slow recovery on the way

Inflation and inflationary expectations in the group of 10 western industrialized nations are abating because of the efforts of governments, and current projections indicate that economic activity will pick up slowly this year and in 1983.

This positive economic outlook was presented yesterday to Finance Ministry and central bank representatives at a meeting in Paris.

Meanwhile, Dr Beryl Sprinkel, United States treasury under secretary said in Paris that Washington is just as anxious as its Western partners to get interest rates down from present "preposterous" levels

Imports take 60% of car sales

By Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent

Imported cars are again capturing more than 60 per cent of the United Kingdom market, despite a fall in total sales so far this month of almost 6 per cent.

Confidential figures circulating in the motor industry which cover the first 20 days of sales during April also reveal that Ford's 39 per cent market penetration in March, boosted by a big sales drive, has slumped to under 25 per cent.

On the import front, the so-called "traditional" sellers — notably Volkswagen and Volvo — are continuing to increase their shares, while the Japanese took more than 12 per cent in the first 20 days.

On a year-to-date basis, imported cars captured 58 per cent of sales, slightly higher than the 57.5 per cent for the first quarter, but significantly greater than the 53 per cent recorded in the first three months of 1981.

Last month's 8.4 per cent jump in the United Kingdom car market, largely attributable to the Ford campaign and its package of dealer incentives, has evaporated this month, with 20-day sales down to less than 93,000, compared with more than 98,000 for the same period a year ago.

Car sales so far this year have yet to top 500,000, however by the end of April 1981 they had reached almost 520,000.

A slight narrowing of the gap between the two arch rivals on the UK market, Ford and BL is now evident. After the first three months Ford had 33.8 per cent of the market and BL 16.65 per cent.


Clive Sinclair: he predicts a best seller

Sinclair adds £125 Spectrum to range

By Clive Cookson, Technology Correspondent

Mr Clive Sinclair, the electronics entrepreneur has launched a new personal computer which, he predicts confidently, will match the sales success of his ZX81, the world's bestseller.

Prics at £125, the new ZX Spectrum costs more than his rock-bottom ZX81 which sells for £69. But it is a more powerful machine with many additional features

More than 350,000 ZX81s have been sold since last year's launch, and they enabled Mr Sinclair's privately owned company, Sinclair Research, to make an astonishing pretax profit of about £10m of £27m turnover during its second full financial year which ended on March 31. Mr Sinclair predicted yesterday that the Spectrum would also sell 300,000 - 400,000 units in its first year, and he expects the company's income to double during the present financial year.

The ZX81 remains in production, and its position at the bottom of the microcomputer market remains unchallenged. "It is still the ideal introduction to computing for beginners," Mr Sinclair says. He claims that the Spectrum will outperform competing microcomputers costing up to £500, but, unlike the ZX81, it does face competition.

The most potent rival may be the still secret Acorn Electron. Due to be launched in September, the Electron is a low-cost derivative of the BBC Microcomputer.

Harvester moves to stave off bankruptcy

From Nicholas Hirst
New York, April 23

The troubled Chicago-based International Harvester group is asking its bankers to vary the terms of its restructured loans to prevent its going into bankruptcy.

According to reports here, the group has asked its lenders to reduce its minimum net worth requirement, negotiated as part of a package of debt restructuring four months ago, from $1,000m (£568m) to $800m. Otherwise it is expected to be in default of its agreements by next Friday, the end of its second quarter.

Harvester is also believed to want to be allowed to run total liabilities up to 5.2 times its net worth instead of the four times permitted at present.

Officially, the group is refusing to comment on whether it has asked for variation of the loan terms but a spokesman said: "We have always thought some amendments in our covenants would be necessary. We are working closely with the banking group to keep them informed. Should amendments be needed we have every confidence they would be granted."

Many of the Harvester loans have been written off in the banks' balance sheets, but *their best bet of recovering* their money remains in keeping the group afloat.

Four months ago it rescheduled $4,200m of debt. In its first quarter to January 31. It made losses of $299.4m and its total liabilities were then 3.1 times its net worth.

But conditions have continued to deteriorate. It has told its bankers it expects to make a loss of around $500m for the 12 months to October 31 and it has become clear that another major restructuring of its debt is likely to be required before the repayment date of December 15, 1983.

Harvester's problems arise from a near six-month strike which ended in April 1980. This coincided with some $1,000m of modernization.

Harvester, however, considers that its new investment, coupled with a shaking-out of its workforce, should allow it to take advantage of the upturn when it comes. Its bankers, however, are having to play a patient, waiting game.

EEC proposal to extend steel quotas

From Peter Norman, Brussels, April 23

The European Commission wants the present system of mandatory production quotas for the EEC steel industry to be extended until the end of 1983.

The commission is due to decide on the proposal at its meeting next Wednesday in time for the next gathering of EEC industry ministers here on May 4.

The proposal reflects the view of Viscount Etienne Davignon, the EEC's industry commissioner, that no significant improvement can be expected in either the community or export markets for steel and that quotas are necessary to avoid a price war among steelmakers.

Indeed, it is thought possible that wire rod, which has been subject to voluntary restraints for the past year, will be brought back into the quota system alongside the reinforcing bars, merchants bars and coils that are already under the commission's control.

This would mean that around 70 per cent of EEC steel prodiction would be controlled by the commission. Of the rest, reversing mill plate, wide flat products and heavy sections will probably stay subject to voluntary production limitations.

An extension of the quota system is likely to be approved although it is thought that West Germany would prefer a review of the arrangements

Fillip likely for flat pub trade

By Derek Harris, Commercial Editor

The rate of price inflation of wines and spirits in tenanted pubs is likely to ease next year if the latest draft regulations from the EEC Commission go through. There is also a clear prospect that the big gap between prices of canned beer in supermarkets and pubs could be narrowed.

This emerged last night after the National Union of Licensed Victuallers (NULV), the trade association for tenants of brewery-tied pubs, set out the result of discussions in Brussels on the latest proposals affecting tied sales.

If brewers and tenants faced up to the changes in a sensible fashion the new regulations could lead to a revitalization of the pub trade at a time when it sorely needed that, Mr Bill Banning, NULV's national organizer said.

The new regulations would allow continuation of the present tied sales of draught beer, together with a brewer's bottled and canned beer,

But tied sales of wines and spirits — extended by some brewers to soft drinks and other items — would be freed. Tenants have complained about being charged too much.

Wines and spirit prices are unlikely to go down in pubs but present price levels would probably be kept longer.

The latest EEC draft indicates a likely examination of many brewers' practice of selling canned beer more cheaply to the supermarkets.

Savoy final results held back

By Margareta Pagano

The Savoy Hotel Group claimed last night it had postponed the release of its full-year results for a week at the group's auditors request due to a minor irregularity caused by the recent sale of one of its properties.

The £7m sale of the Savoy Hotel's east block property above Simpsons in the Strand, has held up the results because the auditors had asked for a few more days to clear up a tax matter.

Yesterday's delay of the results fuelled speculation that the Savoy board, locked in a meeting in the afternoon, were discussing defensive moves against a possible renewed bid from Trusthouse Forte. But a spokesman last night denied this and said that he believed another bid fron Lord Forte in June was unlikely. Lord Forte launched his £67m bid last year.

In November, increased first-half losses of £1.3m were revealed. Sir Hugh Wontner, chairman, blamed the deeper losses partly on the publicity over the THF bid. He said that the second-half results would be in marked contrast to those of the first half.

Savoy's "A" shares were unchanged last night at 194p.

Cost of state benefits would double

Call for cut in pensions

By Robin Ellison

Mr Dick Taverne, a leading member of the Social Democratic Party, gave a warning yesterday that the cost of the state pension scheme would eventually double, he said that action was neeed now to reduce benefits before it was too late. His words echoed a veiled comment made in Birmingham last year by the Chancellor of the Exchequer that the country was paying itself pensions that were too high.

Mr Taverne, QC, was addressing the National Association of Pension Funds' conference in Bournemouth as director of the Institute of Fiscal Studies. "It is quite possible that the cost of the state earnings-related scheme will in 50 years' time amount to 35 per cent or higher of a person's wage," he said.

There was over-provision for state poensions in the United Kingdom, he added, and called for a readjustment of the relationship between state and private pensions. It was not the function of the state *to provide* earnings-related benefits. Private schemes were more flexible and the state should return to providing a back-up service for those in need as suggested in the original Beveridge Report.


Dick Taverne

"If people wish to have it now and not save for a rainy day, should this not perhaps be a matter for their own choice?" he asked.

He made it clear that his views should not be taken as official SDP policy. Mr Taverne, who is also a director of the Equity and Law Insurance Company, made a further plea to the *conference for* an improvement in the preservation of pension benefit.

He encouraged Mr Maurice Oldfield, Pensions director of Allied Breweries and chairman of the association which represents most of the £70,000m assets of the movement, to take note of the weaknesses in private schemes. "Our pension schemes provide a heavy penalty for moving", he said. "Why should leavers subsidize stayers?" He suggested that more index-linked investments should be made available to pension funds.

Leaders of the association, which has consistently opposed more than a limited degree of protection for early leavers, were also subjected to calls for action from Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Employment, and Lord George Brown.

Mr Tebbit, noting the fall in inflation to 10.4 per cent said that single-figure inflation was now within the Government's grasp. Although falling inflation reduced the problems of early leavers and although it was unlikely that the Government would introduce legislation to improve their position in the current Parliament, he said that he had not laid aside the report last year of the Occupational Pensions Board on the subject.

"We want to ensure that the labour market, like other markets, works flexibly and efficiently," he said. We do not want people to be tied to one employer simply to protect their pension".



Caught in a trap: "It still costs me the same to live".

A prisoner of injustice in the black economy

"I must be part of the black economy", said my friend's daily sitting down for a well-earned cup of tea. She is in good company. This week the Institute of Economic Affairs claimed that some £11,000m is being fiddled, evaded or otherwise lost to the taxman each year. Mention of the black economy causes great anguish in bureaucratic breasts and much huffing and puffing in the ranks of *the Whitehall worthies.*

Sympathetic ears are turned to the Inland revenue's perennial pleas for even more draconian power to combat it. The conventional wisdom in high places is that the growth of tax evasion reflects our moral decline as a nation. But could it not also reflect the increasing incomprehensibility of the tax system? And perhaps the feeling that the tax structure is drifting further away from any idea of social justice.

My friend's daily is a case in point. She was widowed a few years ago and is in her late fifties. She has always earned money cleaning people's houses. Her late husband paid his tax through PAYE, claiming the married man's allowance. Since her earnings were never above the income allowance, she paid no tax. But when her husband died she was caught in the tax net for the first time.

"What I don't understand is why when I had a husband to support me I had no tax to pay on my earnings, whereas now I'm on my own I am supposed to pay tax."

Since his death she has had *the widow's pension* — now just under £30 a week — which uses up her single person's allowance of £1,565 per year. So she is fully liable to tax on the whole of her earnings: when her husband was alive these were effectively tax-free. It's not hard to see why she has few qualms about not paying up, "or why she thinks the tax system is as daft as the brush with which she earns her living.

"It costs me more or less the same to live now as when my husband was alive. I have to pay the same rates, heating and other overheads. I have not even received an income tax return since my husband died and the Inland Revenue has not asked me for any money. Everyone tells me to keep quiet about it."

Her problem, which she must share with thousands of other widows, stems from the distortions in our tax system which favour married couples over single people. Some ad-hoc concessions have been made; "single parents, for instance, can claim an additional personal allowance to give them the equivalent of the married man allowance. High income couples can also be taxed as single people on their earned income. But for my friends daily, widowhood means paying tax.

At 65 she will qualify for the higher age allowance, which is just over £2,000 at present for the single person. She may then, she says, declare her income. But its difficult to see how she can do that. Cleaning people's *houses is not something to* take up on retirement like watercolours or knitting. The Inland Revenue will want to know where she has been all these years.

One way or the other my friend's daily will be stuck in the black economy forever.

Margaret Drummond

Bank card switch to cut cheque frauds

Cheque card fraud is costing the high street banks an estimated £12m a year. In an attempt to reduce this loss, the banks are withdrawing their ordinary cheque guarantee cards from the Eurocheque system.

From May 1983, bank customers wanting to cash cheques abroad will be issued with separate Eurocheque cards. From next year these will be available for ordinary cheques written abroad in sterling. Alternatively, customers travelling abroad can use special Eurocheques which can be written in local currencies (with the backing of the Eurocheque card).

Eurocheques are acceptable at shops and restaurants and not simply for drawing cash from a bank. Existing cheque cards will be restricted to use in this country and the Eurocheque "EC" symbol will be removed as cards are renewed.

Cheque card frauds are particularly expensive for the banks when carried out abroad. The inevitable time lag allows many more cheques to be charged with the stolen cheque card before the bank is able to put a stop on it.

The change will gave no effect on Barclays' customers since the bank already issues a separate Eurocheque card. Barclaycard is valid as a cheque guarantee card only in the British Isles only.

The establishment of the Eurocheque system has greatly improved the services offered by the banks to customers travelling abroad. Ordinary cheques can be cashed at more than 180,000 branches of 15,000 banks in 39 countries and has largely removed the necessity to carry large sums of foreign currency or travellers cheques when visiting Europe.

We could all enjoy a protected pension

The advent of index-linked government securities should put the provision of *inflation-proofed pensions* within the means of most employers. This subject has been hotly debated at the *National Association of Pension Funds* annual conference taking place in Bournemouth. Graham *Puttergill reviews the situation.*

It is now more than a year since the Scott Committee proposed that index linked pensions should be extended to all pensioners. One of their recommendations was that pension funds should be enabled to buy indexed bonds to make this possible.

Within a month of their report, the Government announced the first index-linked treasury stock, and followed it with several others. They have been greeted, it is fair to say, with the sound of noisy raspberries from the pensions world, and those who invested initially found that the market value of their investments fell.

What went wrong?

The Government Actuary's *latest report shows just how* bleak is the lot of a private sector pensioner — 32 per cent receive no pension increases at all, 14 per cent receive increases of between 3 and 5 per cent with a further 25 per cent receiving a rise of less than 55 per cent of the rate of inflation.

Only 29 per cent of pensioners receive any worthwhile pension increases.

The recent National Association of Pension Funds survey shows similar results with 83 per cent of all public sector pensioners receiving inflation proofed pensions compared with only 2 per cent of those in private sector schemes.

Given this background it is rather puzzling that index linked bonds have been so roundly rejected by pension *fund managers. Clearly they* believe they are capable of investing funds as favourably elsewhere.

If this is the case, why do the pension funds complain that they cannot afford to provide index-linked pensions?

Index linked pensions are possible as long as the investment returns broadly keep pace with inflation.

Professor David Wilkie, Research Actuary of Heriot Watt University recently pointed out that on reasonable assumptions, a pension of two thirds of final salary would require contributions of 17 to 21 per cent of *earnings.*

Split between the employee and the employer, this is scarcely a ridiculous contribution rate.

And if the cost is too great, it would be possible to provide a pension of half final salary at a contribution of 13 to 16 per cent of earnings which is not dissimilar from that which many pension funds require currently, albeit for larger basic pension.

The facty that pension fund managers are so reluctant to buy an index linked Government security which currently provides a yield of 2 per cent in excess of the rate of inflation shows that they have enormous confidence in their ability to achieve investment returns in excess of the rate of inflation.

In these circumstances they should either acknowledge that they want to use this gain to subsidize the employer's pension costs for current employees (because that's what it boils down to) despite the impact on pensioners living standards or else face up to the need to provide at least *partially* indexed pensions.

The problem is that far too many employers (and pension funds) are happy to get the higher returns that inflation brings, but loathe to pass the benefits to pensioners.

The advent of index linked gilts (particularly if they are issued in greater volume) does however give the lie to the suggestion that it is impossible to provide indexing.

The accompanying table shows that increasing investment returns reduce the cost of fixed pensions and make it possible to provide a substantial measure of indexing without a material increase in costs.

As is clear from both the Government Actuary's survey and the NAPF survey a *minority of pension funds* use this "windfall profit" to increase pensions.

Employers and their pension advisers, may well find that pension fund members and trade unions would be happy to contemplate lower benefit scales provided they were index linked. It is no exaggeration to say that the long term well-being of privately funded pension schemes will depend on the willingness of pension experts to face up to this.

Cost at retirement of a pension of £1 per annum

Investment return	Escalation rate	Cost	Escalation rate	Cost
4%	Zero	£10.59	Zero	£10.59
5%	Zero	9.87	1%	10.62
6%	Zero	9.24	2%	10.65
7%	Zero	8.67	3%	10.68
9%	Zero	7.71	5%	10.74
11%	Zero	6.93	7%	10.79
13%	Zero	6.29	9%	10.85
15%	Zero	5.79	11%	10.90

MONEY TALK

A sweet way to £20,000

Mars Bar freaks are being offered the chance to win £20,000 in a competition organized in conjunction with the Anglia Building Society. Each entry requires three Mars Bar wrappers and entrants have to correctly date six houses pictured on the form whilst completing the inevitable phrase describing why Mars Bars are so marvellous.

In addition to the first prize of £20,000 — deposited with the Anglia — there are 100 prizes of £50 invested in a Childrens Savings Account. As a further incentive to save, runners-up who already have an Anglia account will receive a bonus of £25. After a summer of munching Mars Bars, a year's free dental treatment might be more appropriate. Closing date for the competition is September 30.

Halfway houses

The Leeds Permanent Building Society is backing a scheme which makes it easier for young couples to buy their own home and also helps with inner city improvement.

The North British Housing Association has bought a development of eight newly built houses in Leeds for subsequent sale on a shared ownership basis. The Leeds has agreed to set aside sufficient funds for the eight mortgages. In practice, the couples will have a mortgage *for half the property and will* pay rent to the Housing Association based on the value of the other half — they can also increase their share in the house as and when financial circumstances permit.

Computer link

Town and Country Building Society is to introduce microcomputers to its branch counters from the beginning of 1983.

They will be linked to the existing central computer and will provide immediate access to it. Each transaction will be automaticaly processed and it will completely update the members passbook which will have a magnetic stripe in the cover to identify the account.

Each terminal can operate independently should access to the central computer be interrupted. Town and Country believe that, as competition in customer service is becoming even more important, this new system will benefit their speed and quality of service.

Job insurance

Newcastle Building Society has introduced an insurance package which includes protection against possible redundancy during the early years of a mortgage.

The payment of a single premium, dependent on the size of the loan, gives full mortgage repayment cover for the contract period. The contract period is 27 months with a 3 months excess which means that, if a borrower is made redundant within the 27 months, he will have his repayments met in full, after the first three months, for the remainder of the contract period.

The policy is available to all borrowers (excluding self-employed) and costs:

£28 for a £10,000 mortgage
£40 for a £15,000 mortgage
£51 for a £20,000 mortgage
£65 for a £25,000 mortgage

Dollar fund

Henderson Administration (Guernsey) has launched a new dollar denominated fund — the Henderson Natural Resources Offshore Fund.

The fund will invest in shares of companies engaged in the exploration and development of natural resources and looks forward to worldwide economic recovery which will make the resources markets an attractive area for investment. The fund is aimed at expatriate investors and the initial price is $1.00 until May 4. Thereafter, dealings will take place on Tuesdays in Guernsey.

Speedsend scheme 'was misunderstood'

Sir, It is disappointing to see that Lorna Bourke has *seriously* misunderstood the scheme which she reported on 22nd April:

Solicitors and their clients have long been plagued by the almost antiquated procedures of the high street banks in the transfer of money where it is essential for conveyancing transactions to be completed in quick succession. This frustration is due both to the steadfast refusal of the banks to treat each others' drafts as cleared funds and to their unwillingness to regard transfers by telephone as a normal service. The Speedsend scheme overcomes these obstacles and will enable *completion dates to be met* much more easily.

To suggest that the object of the scheme is to earn "extra interest" is nonsense. Outside the operation of Speedsend, it is the banks that charge interest when uncleared drafts are drawn against. The scheme avoids this effect.

Malcom C. Leaf,
Secretary,
The Law Society,
Non-Contentious Business.

Sir, I read your Family Money page advice on Deeds of Postponement. May I comment on the differences between English and Scots law on this point?

English law equitable doctrines established that a partner without title to the matrimonial home must nevertheless consent to a charge on the property. The case you mention establishes that where a husband seeks to create mortgage over the family home, the wife must consent to the granting of the security, even if the house is in the name of the husband alone.

In Scotland there are no equitable doctrines to support this proposition. At present a spouse without title to the matrimonial home cannot object to the granting of a security. (There are no *problems with a security over* a house in joint names which must be granted jointly.)

The Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Act of 1981 was passed, among other things, to protect a spouse without title to the matrimonial home. The Act is not yet in force but when it is, its effect will be that no security may be granted without the written consent of a non-entitled spouse (ie spouse without title to the house) and indeed, no sale of a matri*monial home will be able to* proceed without this consent either.

Another important provision of this Act is to allow even a non-entitled spouse to get an exclusion order against the other eg to protect against violence to spouse or children.

I would agree with your comment that wives should be separately advised as to giving consents to securities. I have to say that I have noted an unfortunate tendency to ignore the existence of a separate Scottish legal system which affects about one tenth of the population of the United Kingdom.

Yours faithfully,
Simon Mackintosh,
Edinburgh, Scotland.

Looking at the value of life

Around 90 per cent of the population in this country have not valued their lives as highly as their personal possessions, says Mr Michael Hepher, Chairman of Abbey Life Assurance.

Of the 37 people who die in the United Kingdom every 30 minutes, only 5 will die leaving their dependants any benefits from ordinary life insurance, and 19 of the 37 will leave the very small benefits of industrial life *assurance (the kind where* premiums are collected at the door), according to Mr Hepher.

Average cover for those who do have ordinary life assurance is only £11,000. Some 7 million people depend *for their life assurance* entirely on their employer's group scheme and for them the average cover is £6,000.

The average sum assured for the 20 million people who have industrial life assurance is £600 — "hardly enough to pay for the funeral" says Mr Hepher. Yet most people think it is worthwhile insuring their homes. The average person needs insurance cover of at least 5 times gross income, he adds.

Divorcees facing retirement tangle

The ever-rising number of divorces is now a fact of life in modern society. The recent suggestion of a time limit on financial support from former husbands has caused many women in this situation a twinge or two of worry. But while the argument goes on over this, one of the things which can often be overlooked is the position of divorced women when they retire.

Eventually the question gets asked: "What am I going to live on when I retire will I get an old age pension?"

As with most issues connected with state pensions, there is no simple answer to this. Much will depend on the circumstances of each individual, whether she works after the divorce, and so on.

However, there are a number of things which *can* be spelt out. The most important to remember is that any woman who gets *divorced* is, as far as state benefits and the national insurance scheme are concerned, immediately regarded as a single person.

For anyone under age 60, this means she loses any right she may have had to pay the special low rate of married woman's contributions. If she is working, she has to start paying the full amount as soon as she is divorced. *This in itself can* impose a considerable financial strain, and in some cases may mean having to find an extra £10 or so a week.

However, these payments do start to count towards retirement pension and other benefits. They can make it possible for divorce women to get the full single person's rate of retirement pension — at *present* £29.60 a week — on reaching retirement age.

The reason is that each women can make use of contributions paid by her former husband when they were married. It works like this: If her husband had been working and she was not (or was at work but only paying the low married woman's contribution) she can count her former husband's contributions as her own.

There are two ways in which this can be done. First, she can use his contribution for all the tax years in her working life up to the one in which she was divorced, ie from age 16 to her age at divorce.

Alternatively, if it is better for her, she can make use of her former husband's contributions for all the tax years of the marriage. (Entitlement to benefits is based on contributions paid in each tax year).

On top of this, she can then add any contributions she has paid herself after the divorce. If, taken together, this gives her enough contributions for a full pension, then that is what she will get.

On the other hand, if she has not worked after the divorce, or her former husband has not paid enough national insurance contributions in the past, then *she* may only be able to get a part pension.



John Duncan . . . rarity

Book helps you bank on success

The gamekeeper turned poacher is a rare phenomenon in the lazy backwater of high street banking not least of all because few bank managers feel like venturing beyond their cushioned existence, *even if they were* employable elsewhere.

A rare example if the species is John Duncan, a former NatWest bank manager who has spilled the beans on how to know, love and understand your bank manager, with a view to obtaining the biggest overdraft possible.

How to Manage Your Bank Manager combines a *lighthearted look at how high* street bankers function, with solid information on such matters as the you will be *charged for a personal* loan compared with an overdraft and the relative merits of both.

He is very useful on "pain points" — the sort of things that will make your bank manager see red (constant unauthorised overdrafts, unanswered letters, complaints over account charges of £1 or less to mention three).

He also lists them in order of priorty from one to ten.

It is interesting to note that the only faults from which journalists do not (according to Mr Duncan) suffer are total lack of control of *financial matters,* general timewasting and dishonesty.

Nurses and clergymen appear *to* be the least troublesome customers with antique dealers, teachers and stockbrokers being the only *groups to score points* under category 10 dishonesty.

Mr Duncan gives an interesting insight into that *mysterious* world of bankers references.

"Respectable and trustworthy" apparantly means, *in bankers' jargon,* "although we do not think he would enter into a committment he could not see his way to fulfil, we cannot speak for your figures and purpose" worth knowing.

Cartoons by Tugg enliven the text and the book is published on 29th April by David & Charles, price £3.95.

FAMILY MONEY MARKET

Banks
Current account — no interest paid. Deposit accounts — Barclays, Lloyds, and Natwest 10½ per cent, Midland, 10 per cent, seven days notice required for withdrawals. *For sums of* £5,000-£25,000. Fixed-term deposits — 1 month 12½ per cent, 3 and 6 months, 12 per cent. Rates quoted by Barclays. Other banks may differ.

Money funds
Seven-day deposits. Simco 7-day *fund — 12.34 per cent.* UDT *Average Rate Deposits — 12½ Tydnall 7-day Fund 12.5 per cent. Simco dollar fund — 13.92%. Western Trust one month Money-market a/c: 13[11]/[16]% interest paid without deduction of tax. Further details from: Simco 01 236 0233. UDT 01 623 3020. Tyndall 0272 732241. Western Trust 0752 261161. * New Scheme — old scheme now discontinued.

National Savings Bank
Ordinary accounts — interest 5 per cent, first £70 of interest tax-free. Investment Account — *13½ per cent, interest paid without deduction of tax, one month's notice of withdrawal, maximum investment £200,000. *Reducing to 13% on 1st May.

National Savings Certificates 24th Issue.
Return totally free of all taxes, equivalent to an annual interest rate over the five-year term of 8.92%, maximum investment £2,500.

National Savings index-linked certificates
Maximum investment £5,000, return tax-free and linked to changes in the retail prices index, 4 per cent *bonus* if held full five years to maturity. Cash value of £100 certificates purchased in May 1977, £182.28 including 4 per cent bonus.

Guaranteed Income Bonds
Return paid net of basic rate tax, *higher rate taxpayers may have a* further liability on maturity.
2 years, Windsor Life 11% min investment £1000
4 years, American Life 11-12.5% (dependent on age) min investment *£1,000.*
5 years, Eurolife 12% min investment £1,000.

Local authority town hall bonds
Fixed term, fixed rate investments, interest quoted gross (basic rate tax deducted at source reclaimable by non-taxpayers). One year Cardiff 13% 2-3 years Cardiff 13½% 4-6 years Knowsley 13¾% 7-10 years Salisbury 14%. Further details available from Chartered Institute of Public Finance Loans Bureau (01-828 7855, after 3 pm). See also on Prestel no 24808.

Local authority yearling bonds
12-month fixed rate investments, interest 13⅞ pc basic rate tax deducted at source (can be reclaimed by non-taxpayers), minimum investment £1,000, purchased through stockbrocker or bank.

Building societies
Ordinary share accounts — 8.75 pc. Term shares — 1 to 5 years, between 0.5 pc and 2 pc over the BSA recommended ordinary share rate depending on the term. Regular savings schemes — 1.25 pc over BSA recommended ordinary share rate. Rates quoted above are those most commonly offered. Individual building societies may quote different rates. Interest on all accounts paid *net of basic rate tax, not* reclaimable by non-taxpayers.

Finance for industry
Fixed-term, fixed-rate investmen ts of between 3 and 10 years, interest paid half-yearly witho ut deduction of tax: 3-4 years, 13¼ pc; 5-7 years, 13½ pc; 8-10 years, *13¾ pc; Further information* from FFI 91 Waterloo Road, London SE1 (01-928 7822).

Finance house deposits (UDT)
Fixed-term, fixed-rate deposits, interest paid without deductions of tax. "Five/fifty" scheme: 6 months, 13 pc; 1 year, 13½ pc; 2 years, 13½ pc.

Foreign currency deposits*
Interest paid without deduction of tax.

	notice 1 day	7 days
US dollar (call).	12⅝ p.c.	12⅞ p.c.
Yen (2 days)	3⅝ p.c.	3⅝ p.c.
D. Mark	5⅝ p.c.	5⅝ p.c.
French Franc	12⅝ p.c.	12⅝ p.c.
Swiss Franc	Nil	Nil

*Rates quoted by Midland Bank — other banks may differ.

March RPI: 313.4

(The new RPI figure is not announced until the third week of the following month).

Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	13%
Barclays	13%
BCCI	13%
Consolidated Crds	13%
C. Hoare & Co	*13%
Lloyds Bank	13%
Midland Bank	13%
Nat Westminster	13%
TSB	13%
Williams & Glyn's	13%

* 7 day deposits on sums of under £10,000 [illegible], £10,000 up to £50,000 [illegible], £50,000 and over 11¼%.

The Over-the-Counter Market

1981/82 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P/E Actual	P/E Fully Taxed
130	100	Ass Brit Ind CULS	130	+1	10.0	7.7	—	—
75	62	Airsprung Group	73	—	4.7	6.4	11.6	16.0
51	33	Armitage & Rhodes	44	—	4.3	9.8	3.7	8.3
205	187	Bardon Hill	200	—	9.7	4.9	9.7	11.8
107	100	CCL 11% Conv Pref	107	—	15.7	14.7	—	—
104	61	Deborah Services	62	—	6.0	9.7	3.1	5.8
131	97	Frank Horsell	129	+1	6.4	5.0	11.6	23.9
83	39	Frederick Parker	76	+1	6.4	8.4	3.9	7.4
78	46	George Blair	54	—	—	—	—	—
102	93	Ind Prec Castings	96	—	7.3	7.6	6.9	10.4
109	100	Isis Conv Pref	109	—	15.7	14.4	—	—
113	94	Jackson Group	99	—	7.0	7.1	3.1	7.0
130	108	James Burrough	113	—	8.7	7.7	8.2	10.4
334	240	Robert Jenkins	242	+2	31.3	12.8	3.4	8.6
64	51	Scruttons "A"	64	—	5.3	8.3	9.8	9.3
222	159	Torday & Carlisle	159	—	10.7	6.7	5.1	9.5
15	10	Twinlock Ord	13½	—	—	—	—	—
80	66	Twinlock 15% ULS	80	—	15.0	18.8	—	—
44	25	Unilock Holdings	25	—	3.0	12.0	4.5	7.6
103	73	Walter Alexander	80	+1	6.4	8.0	5.3	9.3
263	212	W. S. Yeates	231	—	14.5	6.3	6.0	12.1

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Endowment track record beats wild promises

The world's biggest untruth is reckoned to be "your cheque is in the post". The results of a recent survey indicate that the second biggest untruth ought perhaps to be "the cash maturity value of your with-profits endowment policy is estimated to be . . ."

The most powerful weapon in the insurance salesman's armoury is undoubtedly the glowing forecasts of future cash benefits to be had if you buy one of his policies.

But research carried out by *Planned Savings* magazine, reveals just how inaccurate these forecasts are, and what little use such a projection is in judging the "best buy" when you are looking for a savings type policy.

For example, Irish Life produced some of the most optimistic projections 25 years ago, yet turned in one of the worst performances, finishing at number 48 in the league table of 54 life offices when it came to actual cash maturity values.

Conversely, Norwich Union which made some very modest claims back in 1957, managed to finish at number four when it paid out on 25-year endowments in January.

In fairness to the insurance companies, all managed to beat their own projections, so not one ended up with less money than they had been led to expect. But what worries insurance men now, is that current future projections may turn out to be wild overstatements of cash maturity values.

High interest rates in recent years have enabled insurance companies to regularly increase bonuses and all life companies have managed to do better than their own projections. Policyholders have been pleasantly surprised to discover that cash maturity values have been as much as 143 per cent more than expected.

In recent years investors have tended to opt for the shorter-term policies — 10-year endowments — and here the variation between the projected maturity value and the actual cash payout has been predictably less.

Norwich Union for example gave the eighth highest projected maturity value for a 10-year endowment *and finished at number* eight in the performance tables of actual maturity values. Its estimated total return back in 1972 of £1,405 was £227 less than the actual cash payout in January of £1,632.

At the other end of the scale, Zurich Life gave the most conservative estimate of performance which proved to be remarkably accurate. Zurich was bottom of the league table on actual performance paying out £1,239 compared with its estimate of £1,145.

The obvious conclusion to be drawn from these tables is what most policyholders suspeced all along — future projections particularly over the longer-term are largely meaningless.

Far more reliable — though not without pitfalls — is past performance. Companies which have regularly featured in the top ten, for 10, 15 and 25-year endowment policies, are reluctant to relinquish this position, seeing it as a useful marketing ploy.

Every year for the past 10 years both Clerical Medical and General and Ecclesiastical Life have made the top ten in terms of actual cash maturity values on 15-year endowment policies. Other companies which have most regularly appeared in the 15-year endowment league table are NALGO, Equitable Life, Guardian, Norwich Union, RNPF for Nurses, Standard Life, Friends Provident and Legal and General.

For obvious reasons, few companies make much noise about their track record unless they have regularly outperformed their competitors. The vast majority of investors will continue to be misled by inaccurate projections.

What worries some insurance companies is that these projections are likely to be even wider of the mark in coming years and possibly, *for the first time by substantial overestimates* of actual maturity values.

In recent years high interest rates have enabled most life companies to raise both regular bonuses which are added during the life of the policy, and the terminal bonus which has boosted the eventual payout by an average of 21 per cent.

Current projections are based on bonus rates now being paid, but there is considerable doubt about whether these are realistic. There is little justification for assuming that current bonus rates will be maintained for the next 25 years unless you believe that interest rates will remain at current levels.

What should the innocent buyer of life assurance do? First, ignore the projections and ask the salesmen about past performance. Alternatively you can do your own homework by getting hold of a copy of performance surveys.

These are produced every year by *Planned Savings* magazine, *Money Management* and *The Economist.*

WITH PROFITS ENDOWMENT POLICIES

	10-year policies	Total	20-year policies	Total
Australian Mutual	1,268	1,404		
Avon	1,387	1,541	3,490	6,019
City of Glasgow	1,297	1,387		
Clerical Medical	1,321	1,561	3,728	8,287
Colonial Mutual	1,333	1,445	3,848	6,272
Commercial Union	1,338	1,448	3,948	6,190
C.I.S.	1,272	1,502	3,191	6,109
Crusader	1,434	1,569	3,389	6,775
Eagle Star	1,307	1,584	3,610	6,865
Ecclesiastical	1,383	1,603	3,988	8,239
Economic	1,277	1,381	3,677	4,674
Equity & Law	1,251	1,574	4,219	8,430
Equitable Life	1,440	1,713	3,912	7,412
Federation Mutual	1,157	1,335	3,690	4,433
Friends' Provident	1,415	1,619	4,030	7,279
F.S. Assurance	1,399	1,463		
Gresham Life	1,246	1,422	3,553	5,596
G.R.E.	1,394	1,592	3,818	6,356
Hill Samuel	1,330	1,433		
Hodge	1,252	1,317		
Irish Life	1,279	1,585	4,148	5,531
Legal & General	1,258	1,529	3,997	7,443
L.A.S.	1,298	1,467	3,642	5,570
London Life	1,412	1,724	4,141	7,794
London & Manchester	1,236	1,499	3,394	5,481
Medical Sickness	1,334	1,588	3,660	6,550
M.G.M.	1,305	1,539	3,733	6,329
NALGO	1,493	1,587	3,770	6,086
NEL	1,207	1,560		
National Farmers Union	1,392	1,559	3,577	5,951
National Mutual	1,288	1,605	4,199	6,343
National Mutual of Australasia	1,360	1,540	3,733	6,936
National Provident	1,367	1,632	4,043	7,150
Norwich Union	1,405	1,632	3,486	8,487
Pearl Assurance	1,235	1,461	3,538	5,840
Phoenix Assurance	1,232	1,408	3,527	5,191
P.O. Insurance	1,412	1,546	3,941	5,897
Provident Life	1,344	1,418	3,578	4,921
Provident Mutual	1,374	1,507	3,967	6,631
Prudential	1,345	1,491	4,028	6,548
Reliance Mutual	1,312	1,379	3,447	4,958
Royal Life	1,395	1,464	3,910	6,474
Royal London Mutual	1,288	1,618	3,410	7,187
R.N.P.F.	1,527	1,659	3,768	6,047
Scottish Amicable	1,315	1,617	3,746	8,055
Scottish Equitable	1,338	1,494	3,476	6,230
Scottish Life	1,241	1,628	3,678	7,115
Scottish Mutual	1,232	1,472	3,813	7,790
Scottish Provident	1,357	1,601	3,838	7,639
Scottish Widows	1,284	1,635	3,929	8,029
Sentinel	1,338	1,489		
Standard	1,251	1,574	4,251	8,441
Sun Alliance*	1,267	1,633	3,610	7,888
			3,740	8,590
			3,613	7,207
Sun Life	1,388	1,505	3,457	6,073
Swiss Life	1,299	1,377		
Teachers	1,287	1,487	3,864	6,208
Time Assurance	1,276	1,381		
Tunstall & District	1,311	1,637	3,685	5,922
U.K. Provident	1,384	1,691	4,001	8,587
Wesleyan & General	1,251	1,442	3,325	5,896
Yorkshire General	1,301	1,571	3,720	6,727
Zurich Life	1,145	1,239		
Average	1,323	1,527	3,755	6,721
High	1,527	1,724	4,251	8,590
Low	1,145	1,239	3,191	4,433

Few escape insurance rises

April comes but once a year . . . and with it, the annual *rises* in national insurance contributions. This year, for the first time, many people are going to find themselves paying more than £1,000 out of already taxed income to pay for their State benefits, now or in the future. In practical terms, the rises mean that up to an extra £3.75 a week will have to be found by many.

With this ever-increasing burden, it is not surprising that more and more grumbles are being heard about the fact that the contributions have to be paid out of taxed income.

The rate of deduction goes up from 7.75 per cent to 8.75 per cent. In addition, the earnings ceiling over which no extra contributions have to be paid goes up from £200 to £220 a week. This is where the pinch is really felt. On the plus side, the amount of earnings below which contributions are not paid goes up from £27 to £29.50 a week.

The following examples show what the changes mean!

Weekly Pay	1981-82 NI Contribution	1982-83 NI Contribution	Increase
£60	£4.65	£5.25	60p
£100	£7.75	£8.75	£1.00
£150	£11.62	£13.12	£1.50
£200	£15.50	£17.50	£2.00
£220 (maximum)	£15.50	£19.25	£3.75

This means that a "top" earner — someone with more than £11,440 a year — has to pay around £1,020 in national insurance contributions out of taxed income! This is £200 more than in 1981-82.

The changes are different for people in employers' occupational pension schemes which are contracted out of the state pension arrangements. Their contributions, too, are higher, and because of the way in which they are calculated, those on lower earnings face slightly bigger rises than their counterparts who are part of the State scheme.

Weekly pay	1981/82 NI contribution	new NI contribution	Increase
£60	£3.82	£4.49	67p
£100	£5.92	£6.99	£1.07
£150	£8.55	£10.11	£1.57
£200	£11.17	£13.24	£2.07
£220 (maximum)	£11.17	£14.49	£3.32

The self-employed do not escape, either, although they are not hit quite as hard as employees. Both the flat rate weekly stamp and their earnings related levy go up. *The stamp rises* by 35p a week to £3.75. The earnings related part of their national insurance payment goes up from 5.75 per cent to six per cent and is applied to profits between £3,450 and £11,000 a year instead of £3,150 and £10,000. Taken together, these changes mean increases of up to £60 a year.

The minority who pay contributions voluntarily are also hit. Here the weekly stamp goes up by 35p to £3.65 a week.

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SOLICITORS' LAW

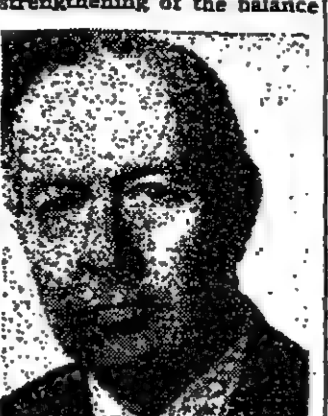
Depressed sales hit recovery

Solicitors' Law Stationery Society failed to maintain the *return to profitability* it achieved at the half-way stage, with depressed conference business and stationery sales contributing to pretax *losses* of £739,000 in 1981 against £630,00.

This was more than offset by the £1.73m profit from the sale of the group's publishing interests to Pearson Longman, but in view of the exceptional nature of that profit, there is no restoration of the dividend, last paid in 1980 when distributions totalled 2.5p gross.

Reorganization of the group was completed during the year with the *withdrawal* from most of its overseas activities leaving the groups interests concentrated in Printing, legal services and conferences.

The proceeds of the sale of the book division reduced borrowings by about two-thirds, with a further strengthening of the balance

Sir Edward Singleton

sheet since the year end from the negotiation of a £1m seven-year secured term loan from National Westminster Bank.

Despite the losses recorded last year, the board is confident that the groundwork has been done which will make possible a recovery of the company's fortunes, Sir Edward Singleton, chairman, said.

New policies by the Legal Services Group should lead to a recovery of market share lost over the past four years. There has also been a modest expansion of the retail chain and the conference company has made profits in the present year.

Group turnover in 1981 at £21.9m was only slightly below the previous year's £23.05m, but contract business contributed to a large proportion of pre tax losses amount to £381,000 against £8,000 the previous year.

In the present year the group hopes to resume dividend payments, although not necessarily at the half-way stage, and is looking for profits approaching the 1979 level of £491,000 pre tax.

The shares eased 2p to 29p. Thomson Organisation controls 50.2 per cent and Mr Robert Maxwell's Pergamon Press holds a 23 per cent stake.

RICHARDSONS

Losses continue

Richardsons Westgarth, the engineering, stockholding and merchanting group, has continued to trade in the red in the full year.

The Tyneside group lost £833,000 in the year to December compared with £746,000. Sales in the period fell by £2m to £47m. The shares yesterday fell ½p to 26p, where the group is capitalized at £3.4m, just a third of its asset value.

The main problems lie in the company's engineering manufacturing division where losses were £857,000 compared with profits of £326,000 on sales down £3m at £6.8m. Engineering service, too, sank to a loss of £35,000 against £249,000 profits last time. The stockholding and merchanting division did better, with profits of £99,000, against £171,000.

Mr Archibald Boyd, chairman, says the modest profits earned in the second half year's trading did little to alleviate the heady losses of the first half. In the first six months, Richardsons lost £894,000 and said vigorous action was being taken to reduce losses.

The manufacturing companies improved only slightly, although stockholding performed better. A further decline in ship-repairing hampered the engineering services division. But Mr Boyd adds that the £17.25m order received from Houlder Offshore for a diving suport vessel was timely.

The final dividend has also been cut — to 1.07p gross against 1.5p — leaving the total payment at 2.14p gross.

BENTALLS

Profits jump

Cost cutting and a series of promotions events helped department store group Bentalls to a 50 per cent rise in pre tax profits to £2.03m in the year to January on sales up from £44.07m to £47.52m.

Total dividends for the year are up from 1.92p per share gross to 2.58p with a 1.7p final payment.

The group's new store at Tonbridge, Kent which forms part of an integrated shopping complex, made a promising start, while sales at the group's other stores continued into the current fiancial year at a satisfactory level.

Earnings per share rose from 2.37p to 3.72p. Bentalls shares celebrated the results with a 3p jump to 41p where they yield 6.3 per cent.

On a current cost basis taxable profits rose from £297,000 to £1.15m.

GRAMPIAN TV

Surprise rise

An unexpected rise in advertising revenue at the end of last year helped Grampian Television to exceed profits forecasts with network advertising as record levels.

Pretax profits were ahead by 24 per cent at £642,000 in the year to February on turnover up by £2m at £8.9m. The final divident is lifted to 3.21p gross-making a total payment of 4.64p gross against 3.92p. Grampian's shares edged up 2p to 46p on the news.

The exchequer levy was only slightly up at £188,000 compared with £105,000. Profits from the television operation were 47 per cent higher at £695,000 with the Glenburnie Properties activities contributing £152,000. But the group's newly formed Blenheim Travel company made an expected loss of £17,000 in its first trading period.

Grampian, facing the extra *costs* of its Channel Four contribution due next year and bolatile advertising revenue over optimistic about group prospects in the short *term. But the first quarter of* the present year got off to a good start. Estimates are for a profits decline of about 50 per cent this year because of *the costs of the new channel.*

PENTOS

Gardening sale

Pentos has sold off all its gardening interests, eht Halls Home and Gardens group, to a management buyout team *for £3.42m.*

Terry Maher

This comes after the publishing group's drive to *reduce borrowings and* improve the balance sheet. It brings debt down to £7m from a peak of £15m at the beginning of last year.

Figures, out in March, revealed that Pentos lost £1.8m pretax last year and shareholders were asked to forgo a dividend payment. At the half year, Mr Terry Maher, chairman, said that the group should return to the black in the full year.

Pentos' gardening concerns represented 12 per cent of last year's £70m sales and in eah of last two years made a profit of £300,000.

MARKHEATH

Full listing move

Markheath Securities, a property development and trading company, which is *quoted on* the Unlisted Securities Market, is applying for a full listing. The applications covers the whole of the 54.6 per cent cumulative convertible preferred shares of 25p each which are at present dealt on the USM.

Mr Paul Bobtoff, chairman, and Mr Geoffrey Springer, a director, are proposing to sell a further 675,000 preferred shares which would allow at least 25 per cent of the total issued shares to pass into public ownership.

Profits in the year to December 31 are forecast in the region of £1.8m. This compares with £1.34m for 1981.

Markheath has an active development programme consisting mainly of office buildings in and around London. Construction is underway on a 70,000 sq ft office block in New Barnet and a 12,500 sq ft building in Ilford.

The group plans to develop 83,000 sq ft of offices at Stratford Broadway together with smaller blocks at Watford, Tottenham, north London and west London.

AMALG METAL

Dividends passed

Amalgamated Metal Corporation, the international metals group, saw its share price slump 8p to 545p yesterday after an announcement that profits had almost halved to £6.7m for the year *to December. In 1980 profits* were £1.4m. No final dividend is to be paid, leaving a much-reduced payout for the year of 2.85p gross against year's total dividend of 12.85p gross.

Turnover moved ahead from £1,311m to £1,411m at the corporation, which is 86 per cent owned by Preussag, the West German industrial holding company.

Contribution from associates declined in the year from £691,000 to £54,000. Investment income also fell *to £1.3m from £2.15m.* The tax charge slipped from £5.6m to £3.78m, and minorities dropped to £1.4m from £2.6m.

After an extraordinary charge of £500,000, earnings per share were down from 28.7p to 14.4p

The directors say they are *not recommending a final* dividend, in view of current cost accounting results — pretax profits were only £1.8m against £11.32m last time, and the *difficult* world trading climate.

TV SOUTH WEST

Turning Over

Television South West, which took over the West Country from Westward Television, showed a 36 per cent increase in turnover during its first six months of trading.

This compares with the 30 per cent increase in advertising revenue achieved by the Independent Television network in the same period. Turnover in the six months to January is £7.69m with pretax profits of £705,000 after deducting the exchequer levy of £277,000. There are no comparative profits figure but turnover in the Westward controlled period was £5.45m and pretax profits then were £127,000.

TSW is *not* paying a dividend yet but payment will be considered once results for the year are known.

OVERSEAS COMPANIES

Degussa managing board chairman Mr Gert Becker said yesterday that shareholders could expect the West German precious metals and chemical company to *cut its dividend for the 1981-82* from DM 9 per cent share last year.

Addressing the annual shareholders' meeting, Mr Beckner said turnover sagged 24 per cent during the first six months of the fiscal year beginning Oct 1,1981.

He said Degussa's earnings in *its chemical division have been* "Absolutely unsatisfactory" so far this year, although the situation had improved somewhat in the past few weeks.

CAPITAL MARKETS

The Dm 100m (£23m) Eurobond for Beneficial Overseas Finance has been priced at par for a yield of 9.5 per cent, according to market sources in Frankfurt.

The seven-year issue, lead managed by DG Bank Deutsche Genossenschaftsbank, carries a coupon of 9½ per cent.

The State of Bavaria is raising Dm450m through an issue of 10-year domestic bonds with a coupon of 8¾ per cent, priced at par, lead manager Bayerische Landesbank Girozentrale said.

Canadian Pacific is floating a *$75m (£41m) 10-year bond issue* at par, bearing 14.625 per cent annually through a Eurobond syndicate led by Orion Royal Bank.

LATEST RESULTS

Company Int or Fin	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
Albany Inv (F)	—(—)	0.16(0.16)	—(—)	1.45(1.4)	—	2.05(2)
Allebone (F)	14.5(14.05)	0.7a(0.052)	9.6a(1.6)	—(1.0)	—	—(1.0)
Amal Metal (F)	1,411(1,311)	6.7(11.37)	14.4(28.7)	—(8.0)	—	2(9)
Bentalls (F)	47.5(44.07)	2.03(1.35)	3.71(2.37)	1.2(1.02)	—	1.5(1.35)
S. Casket (I)	9.63(9.06)	0.25(0.25)	—(—)	0.5(0.5)	—	—(1.75)
F. Co-op Fin (F)	65.7(64.57)	1.7a(0.2a)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Grampian TV (F)	8.95(6.9)	0.64(0.51)	13.1(10.0)	2.2(1.7)	—	3.2(2.7)
F. Miller (F)	5.58(8.04)	2.38(2.31)	—(—)	1.4(1.3)	—	2.4(2.2)
Samuelson Film (I)	—(—)	0.35(0.29)	—(—	—(—)	—	—(8.77)
Richardsons, West (F)	47.7(49.6)	0.83a(0.74)	4.2(2.3)	0.7(0.7)	—	1.05(1.05)
Scot Nthn Inv (F)	—(—)	3(2.82)	3.6(3.46)	2.3(2.2	—	3.5(3.4)
TV S West (I)	7.69(—)	0.7(—)	1.45(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Solicitors' Law (F)	21.9(23.05)	0.73a(0.63a)	2.9(10.2a)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Stylo (F)	44.01(31.02)	0.82(0.22)	6.39(5.62)	3.5(3)	—	3.5(3)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pretax and earnings are net. a=Loss.

COMMODITIES

COPPER: Higher grade copper was very steady. — Afternoon. — Higher grade cash, £873-74.00; three months £903-3.50. Sales: 11,400 tonnes. Cash standard cathodes, £868-69.00; *three months, £897.50-98.00:* Sales: nil tonnes. Morning. — Higher grade cash, £870-71.00; three months £900.50-1.00. Settlement, £871.00. Sales: 7,200 tonnes. Cash standard cathodes, £866-67.00; three months, £895-96.00. Settlement. £867.00. Sales: 150 tonnes.

TIN: Standard cash, £7,120-30 a tonne: three months £7,350-55. Sales, nil tonnes. Morning: — Standard cash £7,045-55: three months £7,270-75. Settlement, £7,055. Sales, 1,240 tonnes. High grade, cash £7,045-55: three months, £7,270-90. Settlement. £7,055. Sales, nil tonnes. Singapore tin ex-works, $M29.32 a picul.

LEAD was very steady. — Afternoon. — Cash £238-38.50 per tonne: three months £341-41.50. Sales, 5,500 tonnes. Morning. — Cash £234.50-25.00: three months £338.60-39.00. Settlement £325.00. Sales, 3,900 tonnes.

ZINC was steady. — Afternoon. — Cash £427.50-28.50 per tonne: three months £428.50-29.00. Sales, 3,975 tonnes. Morning. — Cash £425.50-26.00: three months £427.50-28.00. Settlement, £426.00. Sales, 4,925 tonnes.

PLATINUM was at £190.40 ($337.00) a troy ounce.

SILVER closed very steady. — Bullion market (fixing levels). — Spot. 406.80p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 720.50); three months, 419.80p (746.20c); six months, 433.25p (772.50c); one year, 460.50p (824.30c). *London* Metal Exchange. — Afternoon. — Cash, 410-411.0p; three months, 423.5-24.5p Sales, 28 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning. — Cash, 408.5-9.0p; three months, 421.8-22p Settlement, 409.0p. Sales, 52 lots.

ALUMINIUM was steadier at y'day's close. — Afternoon. — Cash. £561.50-62.50 per tonne; three months £583.50-84.00. Sales, 6,300 tonnes. Morning. — Cash £557.50-58.50; three months £579.50-80.00. Settlement, £558.50. Sales, 3,925 tonnes.

NICKEL was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £3,065-75 per tonne; three months, £3,125-30. Sales, 168 tonnes. Morning.—Cash, £3,060-65: three months, £3,115-20. Settlement. £3,065. Sales, 810 tonnes.

LONDON CLOSING GOLD FUTURES (£ per ounce): Aug, 206.25-206.30: Sept. 200.10-208.15; Oct, 210.10-210.15: Total volume, 1,204 lots. Tone, Steady.

COFFEE.—ROBUSTAS (£ per tonne): May, 1195-1198: July, 1137-1140; Sept. 1104-1105; Nov. 1088-1089; Jan. 1080-1085; March, 1065-1069; May, 1040-1065. Sales, 2,820 lots. *including 57 options*

COCOA (£ per metric ton).—April 885-916; May 926-927; July 962-965; Sep 993-994; Dec 1,035-1,036; March 1,085-1,086; July 1,100-1,120. Sales: 3,276 lots. ICCO prices: daily (April 22), 76.86c. Indicator price (April 23), 5-day average, 78.13c. (US cents per lb.)

SUGAR.—The London daily price of "raws was £3.00 lower at £126; the "whites" price was £4.00 lower at £153. Futures (£ per tonne): May 128.25-128.50; Aug 132.50-132.55; Oct 139.10-138.25; Jan 141.00-142.50; March 148.10-148.70; May 151.00-151.50; Aug 155.00-156.00. Sales: 8,102 lots. ISA prices (April 22): daily, 8.53c: 15-day average, 9.88c.

RUBBER (pence per kilo): May 56.70-56.80 Jne 57.70-57.90 Jly Sep 58.80-59.00 Oct Dec 60.60-60.80 Jan Mch 62.40-62.50 Apl Jne 64.00-64.10 Jly Sep 65.50-65.60 Oct Dec 67.00-67.20 Jan Mch 68.50-68.70. Sales: 230 lots at 15 tonnes each including five kerbs of which one is an option.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—WHEAT.—Canadian western red spring, No. 1, 13½, unquoted. US dark northern spring, No 1, 14 per cent May 20-June 10, £115.75; Jne £116.25; Jly £114.75 trans-shipment east coast sellers. US hard winter, 13½ per cent, Unquoted. EEC, unquoted. English feed fob: May £122; Jne £123.25 east coast sellers.

MAIZE.—French: second half Apl £135.50 Transhipment east coast seller. S. Afr. white—yellow, May Jne £90.50 Seller.

BARLEY.—Enlish feed fob: May £117.50 paid Gunness: May June £118.50 east coast; Jne £117.75 east coast sellers. All cif UK unless stated.

BIDS AND DEALS

Centreway Industries has reached agreement with joint receivers and managers of Westerly Marine Construction on a *new* company, Westerly Yachts which acquired certain assets from the receivers last November and has subsequently carried on that part of the business. Centreway has agreed to acquire the whole of the Westerly Yachts issued share capital for £2m and has also agreed to subscribe in cash *sufficient loan capital of Westerly* Yachts to enable it to discharge the debt due to the receivers in respect of the assets acquired. This is anticipated to amount to, and cannot exceed, £400,000.

C H Beazer has purchased Price & Pierce Machinery, Taunton, and Price & Pearce Machinery; Essen, from Tozer Kemsley group. Consideration is £301,438 cash which *may* be subject to minor subsequential adjustment.

WALL STREET

New York, April 23.— Share prices were broadly higher in early trading, although some were off their top prices.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was ahead by about 2½ *points, after* its initial gain of 4½ points.

Advancing issues extended their lead over declines to nearly 4-to-1.

Trading was the sixth largest on record.



	Apr 21	Apr 20
Allied Chem	[illegible]	[illegible]
Allied Stores	[illegible]	[illegible]
Allis Chalmers	[illegible]	[illegible]
Alcoa	[illegible]	[illegible]
Amax Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
Amerada Hess	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Airlines	[illegible]	14
Am Brands	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Broadcast	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Can	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Cyanamid	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Elec Power	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Home	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Motors	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Nat Res	34	34
Am Standard	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Telephone	[illegible]	[illegible]
AMP Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
Armco Steel	19	[illegible]
Asarco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ashland Oil	[illegible]	[illegible]
Atlantic Richfield	[illegible]	[illegible]
Avco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Avon Products	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bankers Tst NY	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bank of America	19	[illegible]
Bank of NY	[illegible]	[illegible]
Beatrice Foods	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bendix	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bethlehem Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]
Boeing	[illegible]	[illegible]
Boise Cascade	[illegible]	[illegible]
Borden	[illegible]	[illegible]
Borg Warner	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bristol Myers	[illegible]	[illegible]
BP	[illegible]	21
Burlington Ind	[illegible]	[illegible]
Burlington Nthn	[illegible]	[illegible]
Burroughs	[illegible]	[illegible]
Campbell Soup	35	[illegible]
Canadian Pacific	[illegible]	[illegible]
Caterpillar	45	[illegible]
Celanese	[illegible]	54
Central Soya	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chase Manhat	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chem Bank NY	[illegible]	35
Chrysler	[illegible]	5
Citicorp	28	[illegible]
Cities Service	[illegible]	[illegible]
Clark Equip	[illegible]	23
Coca Cola	[illegible]	[illegible]
Colgate	[illegible]	[illegible]
CBS	[illegible]	[illegible]
Columbia Gas	33	[illegible]
Combustion Eng	36	[illegible]
Comwlth Edison	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cons Edison	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cons Foods	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cons Power	[illegible]	[illegible]
Continental Grp	30	[illegible]
Control Data	[illegible]	[illegible]
Corning Glass	[illegible]	[illegible]
CPC Intl	37	[illegible]
Crane	[illegible]	[illegible]
Crocker Int	[illegible]	[illegible]
Crown Zeller	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dart & Kraft	[illegible]	[illegible]
Deere	[illegible]	34
Delta Air	[illegible]	[illegible]
Detroit Edison	[illegible]	[illegible]
Disney	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dow Chemical	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dresser Ind	[illegible]	[illegible]
Duke Power	[illegible]	[illegible]
Du Pont	[illegible]	[illegible]
Eastern Air	[illegible]	[illegible]
Eastman Kodak	[illegible]	[illegible]
Eaton Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
El Paso Nat Gas	[illegible]	[illegible]
Equitable Life	[illegible]	[illegible]
Esmark	[illegible]	45
Evans P. D.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Exxon Corp	[illegible]	28
Fed Dept Stores	[illegible]	[illegible]
Firestone	[illegible]	[illegible]

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Fst Chicago	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fst Interst Bncp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fst Nat Boston	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fst Penn Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ford	[illegible]	[illegible]
GAF Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Dynamics	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Electric	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Foods	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Mills	[illegible]	40
Gen Motors	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Pub Util NY	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Tel Elec	[illegible]	30
Gen Tire	[illegible]	[illegible]
Genesco	[illegible]	4
Georgia Pacific	[illegible]	[illegible]
Getty Oil	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gillette	[illegible]	[illegible]
Goodrich	[illegible]	20
Goodyear	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gould Inc	[illegible]	24
Grace	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gt Atltc & Pacific	[illegible]	6
Greyhound	14	[illegible]
Grumman Corp	[illegible]	26
Gulf Oil	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gulf & West	[illegible]	[illegible]
Heinz H. J.	[illegible]	31
Hercules	20	[illegible]
Honeywell	68	67
IC Inds	[illegible]	30
Ingersoll	[illegible]	[illegible]
Inland Steel	22	[illegible]
IBM	[illegible]	[illegible]
Int Harvester	[illegible]	[illegible]
INCO	11	[illegible]
Int Paper	36	[illegible]
Int Tel Tel	[illegible]	[illegible]
Irving Bank	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jewel Co	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jim Walter	[illegible]	[illegible]
Johnson & John	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kaiser Alumin	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kerr McGee	[illegible]	29
Kimberly Clark	[illegible]	[illegible]
K Mart	[illegible]	19
Kroger	[illegible]	[illegible]
L.T.V. Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Litton	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lockheed	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lucky Stores	15	[illegible]
Manuf Hanover	[illegible]	[illegible]
Manville Cp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mapco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Marine Midland	[illegible]	[illegible]
Martin Marietta	[illegible]	[illegible]
McDonnell	36	[illegible]
Mead	[illegible]	[illegible]
Merck	[illegible]	[illegible]
Minnesota Mng	56	[illegible]
Mobil Oil	[illegible]	[illegible]
Monsanto	66	[illegible]
Morgan J. P.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Motorola	[illegible]	[illegible]
NCR Corp	[illegible]	48
NL Industries	[illegible]	25
Nabisco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nat Distillers	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nat Med Ent	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nat Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]
Norfolk West	[illegible]	[illegible]
NW Bancorp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Norton Simon	[illegible]	[illegible]
Occidental Pet	20	[illegible]
Ogden	27	[illegible]
Olin Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Owens-Illinois	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pacific Gas Elec	[illegible]	22
Pan Am	[illegible]	[illegible]
Penney J. C.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pennzoil	30	[illegible]
Pepsico	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pfizer	[illegible]	58
Phelps Dodge	[illegible]	[illegible]
Philip Morris	[illegible]	[illegible]

	Apr 21	Apr 20
Phillips Petrol	[illegible]	[illegible]
Polaroid	[illegible]	[illegible]
PPG Ind	[illegible]	[illegible]
Proctor Gamble	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pub Ser El & Gas	[illegible]	[illegible]
Raytheon	[illegible]	[illegible]
RCA Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Republic Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]
Reynolds Ind	[illegible]	[illegible]
Reynolds Metal	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rockwell Int	[illegible]	[illegible]
Royal Dutch	[illegible]	[illegible]
Safeways	[illegible]	[illegible]
St Regis Paper	[illegible]	[illegible]
Santa Fe Ind	15	[illegible]
SCM	[illegible]	[illegible]
Schlumberger	42	[illegible]
Scott Paper	[illegible]	[illegible]
Seagram	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sears Roebuck	[illegible]	[illegible]
Shell Oil	[illegible]	[illegible]
Shell Trans	[illegible]	27
Signal Co	[illegible]	[illegible]
Singer	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sony	14	14
Sth Cal Edison	[illegible]	[illegible]
Southern Pacific	33	[illegible]
Southern Rly	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sperry Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Std Oil Califnia	[illegible]	[illegible]
Std Oil Indiana	[illegible]	[illegible]
Std Oil Ohio	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sterling Drug	[illegible]	[illegible]
Stevens J. P.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sun Comp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Teledyne	123	[illegible]
Tenneco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Texaco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Texas East Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Texas Inst	[illegible]	[illegible]
Texas Utilities	[illegible]	[illegible]
Textron	[illegible]	[illegible]
TWA	[illegible]	22
Travelers Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
TRW Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
UAL Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
Union Carbide	[illegible]	[illegible]
Union Oil Calif	[illegible]	[illegible]
Un Pacific Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Uniroyal	8	[illegible]
United Brands	[illegible]	[illegible]
US Industries	[illegible]	[illegible]
US Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]
Utd Technol	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wachovia	[illegible]	[illegible]
Warner Lambert	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wells Fargo	[illegible]	[illegible]
Westinghse Elec	[illegible]	[illegible]
Weyerhauser	28	[illegible]
Whirlpool	20	22
Woolworth	[illegible]	[illegible]
Xerox Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Zenith	[illegible]	[illegible]

Canadian Prices

	Apr 21	Apr 20
Abitibi	[illegible]	[illegible]
Alcan Alumin	[illegible]	22
Algoma Steel	34	34
Bell Telephone	[illegible]	19
Cominco	41	[illegible]
Cons Bathurst	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gulf Oil	[illegible]	14
Hawker/Sid Can	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hudson Bay Min	[illegible]	18
Imasco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Imperial Oil	[illegible]	23
Int Pipe	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mass.-Fergsn	[illegible]	[illegible]
Royal Trust	[illegible]	[illegible]
Seagram	[illegible]	[illegible]
Steel Co	[illegible]	[illegible]
Thomson N 'A'	[illegible]	[illegible]
Walker Hiram	[illegible]	[illegible]
WCT	[illegible]	[illegible]

*Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Stock Exchange Prices

Light selling

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, April 19. Dealings End, April 29. § Contango Day, April 30. Settlement Day, May 10.
§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days.

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS

1981/82 High	Low	Stock			Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
99	93	Treas	8%	1982	99		8.395	13.786
99	93	Exch	9%	1982	97	-1/8	9.415	13.586
97	92	Exch	8%	1983	96	..	9.033	13.579
94	87	Exch	3%	1983	93	..	3.230	12.370
99	93	Treas	12%	1983	98	..	12.152	13.492
96	90	Treas	9%	1983	96	-1/8	9.610	12.652
101	95	Exch	13%	1983	100	• ..	13.483	13.397
96	89	Exch	10%	1983	95	-1/8	10.513	13.412
91	83	Fund	5%	1982-84	91	-1/8	6.010	11.031
97	90	Exch	11%	1984	96	-1/8	11.614	13.542
102	95	Exch	14%	1984	100	•-1/8	13.896	13.571
[illegible]	77	Exch	3%	1984	85	-1/8	3.531	11.027
98	90	Treas	12%	1984	96	-1/8	12.403	13.573
107	95	Treas	15%	1985	102	-1/8	14.706	14.083
95	88	Exch Cv	12%	1985	95	-1/8	12.516	13.741
80	71	Treas	3%	1985	79	• ..	3.762	10.946
96	85	Treas	11%	1985	93	-1/8	12.332	14.171
98	87	Exch	12%	1985	95	•-1/8	12.660	13.[illegible]
97	84	Exch	11%	1986	93	-1/8	12.599	14.0[illegible]
75	65	Treas	3%	1986	75	•-1/8	3.967	10.[illegible]
97	84	Treas	12%	1986	93	-1/8	12.870	14.19[illegible]
[illegible]	72	Treas	8%	1984-86	87	-1/8	9.687	12.313
101	92	Exch	14%	1986	99	•-1/8	14.071	14.340
10[illegible]	89	Exch	13%	1987	96	-1/8	13.896	14.[illegible]

MEDIUMS

1981/82 High	Low	Stock			Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
82	71	Fund	6%	1985-87	79	•+1/8	8.230	12.203
69	61	Treas	3%	1987	68	+1/8	4.471	11.579
99	81	Treas	12%	1987	91	•+1/8	13.104	14.245
82	72	Treas	7%	1985-88	80	+1/8	9.833	13.105
63	55	Trans	3%	1978-88	63	+1/8	4.826	11.794
92	79	Treas	11%	1989	89	+1/8	13.194	14.505
67	50	Treas	5%	1986-89	64	+1/8	7.832	12.616
101	85	Treas	13%	1990	97	+1/8	13.887	14.392

TEA

1981/82 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
230	178	Assam Frontier	2[illegible]		4.3	6.[illegible]	
468	415	Camellia Inv	463		8.6	1.9	
380	230	McLeod Russel	320	-5	11.8	3.7	
153	112	Do 8.4% Cnv Pf	112		12.0	10.7	
295	255	Moran	293		7.1	2.4	
128	93	Surmah Valley	125		1.4	1.1	

MISCELLANEOUS

1981/82 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
46	27½	Calcutta Elec	42		8.8	20.9	
34½	29	Essex Wtr 3.5%	£33½		500	14.9	
34	20	Gt Nthn Tele	£32		82.2	3.6	12.2
265	130	Imp Cont Gas	200	+7	11.9	5.9	12.7
158	93	Milford Docks	132	+5	0.7	0.5	
193	130	Nesco Inv	120		10.0	8.3	
35	29½	Sundorlnd Wtr	£33½		500	14.9	

• Ex dividend. a Ex all. b Forecast dividend. c Corrected price. e Interim payment passed. f Price at suspension. g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment. h Bid for company. k Pre-merger figures. n Forecast earnings. p Ex capital distribution. r Ex rights. s Ex scrip or share split. t Tax free. y Price adjusted for late dealings. .. No significant data.

RECENT ISSUES

	Closing Price
A I M Group 10p Ord (140)	147
Amersham International 25p Ord (142)	204+1
Bristol Water 9% Red Pf 1987 (£ b)	111
Dew George 25p Ord	128
Exchequer 12¾% 'A' 1987	[illegible]
Fleet Holdings 20p Ord	92
Io Technology 5p Ord (250a)	245
Jebsens Drilling 25p Ord (a)	285
Lee Valley Water 9¾% Red Pf 1989 (£)	£101
Leisure Industries 25p Ord (120a)	122
Newmarket Co 1981 Ltd $0.05 (£3.05)	317+1
Oceonics 10p Ord (130a)	160
Osprey Assets 25p Ord	30
PH Industrials 25p Ord	40[illegible]
Standard Securities 25p Ord	137
Television South West 5p Ord	18[illegible]
Treasury 2% Index Linked 1996 (£ h)	£[illegible]

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renun	
Ansbacher H. (10‡)	Jun 15	1½ prem
Bank Leumi UK (170‡)		15 prem
Lilley FJC (120‡)		34 prem
Queens Moat (37‡)	May 27	½ prem
Vickers (133‡)		14 prem

Issue price in parentheses. • Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. ‡ Nil paid. a unlisted securities market. b £10 paid. f Fully paid. g £25 paid. h Issued in units of equal shares and £5 nominal loan stock at £[illegible].

Sterling: Spot and Forward

	Market rates (day's range) April 23	Market rates (close) April 23	1 month	3 months
New York	$1.7670-1.7750	$1.7710-1.7720	0.18-0.28c disc	0.63-0.72c disc
Montreal	$2.1600-2.1700	$2.1660-2.1670	0.33-0.43c disc	1.20-1.30c disc
Amsterdam	4.68-4.73fl	4.69-4.70fl	2¼-1¾c prem	6¼-6c prem
Brussels	79.80-80.50f	79.90-80.00f	20-35c disc	75-90c disc
Copenhagen	14.[illegible]	14.38-14.39k	680-770ore disc	1930-2065ore disc
Dublin	1.2230-1.2315p	1.2240-1.2250p	60-75p disc	150-200p disc
Frankfurt	4.22-4.26m	4.22¾-4.23¾m	1¾-1¼pf prem	5-4¾pf prem
Lisbon	128.00-130.00e	128.25-129.25e	[illegible] disc	405-1215c disc
Madrid	186.50-187.[illegible]	[illegible]	63-87c disc	187-229c disc
Milan	2338-2346lr	2340-2342lr	19½-22½lr disc	59-63lr disc
Oslo	10.75-10.80k	10.76-10.77k	350-455ore disc	730-840ore disc
Paris	11.03-11.11f	11.04-11.05f	6¾-8¾c disc	23-36c disc
Stockholm	10.43-10.50k	10.43-10.44k	90-25ore prem	225-150ore prem
Tokyo	426-432y	427-428y	255-225y prem	710-675y prem
Vienna	29.65-29.95sch	29.68-29.73sch	18-11gro prem	39-30gro prem
Zurich	3.47-3.51f	3.48-3.49f	3-3⅛c prem	7½-7¼c prem

Effective exchange rate compared to 1975, was down 0.4 at 90.8

Money Market Rates

Clearing Banks Base Rate 13%
Discount Mkt Loans %
Weekend: High 13½ Low 13¼
Week Fixed: 13-13¼

Treasury Bills (Dis%)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	13	2 months	12⅞
3 months	13	3 months	12⅞

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%) Trades (Dis%)

1 month	13⅝-13½	1 month	14¼
2 months	13⅜-12⅞	2 months	13⅞
3 months	13⅜-13¼	3 months	13¾
6 months	13¼-12⅞	6 months	13⅝

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	14¼-14	7 months	14-13¾
2 months	14¼-13⅞	8 months	14-13¾
3 months	14¼-13⅞	9 months	14¼-13¾
4 months	14¼-13⅞	10 months	14¼-13¾
5 months	14¼-13¾	11 months	14¼-13⅞
6 months	14-13¾	12 months	14-13¾

Secondary Mkt. ECD Rates (%)

1 month	13[illegible]	6 months	13[illegible]
3 months	13[illegible]	12 months	13[illegible]

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	13⅞-13½	3 months	13⅝
7 days	13⅝-13½	6 months	13½
1 month	13⅝	1 year	13⅞

Interbank Market (%)
Weekend: Open 13¾-13½ Close 13½

1 week	13⅝-13½	6 months	13⅞-13[illegible]
1 month	13⅞-13[illegible]	9 months	13⅞-13[illegible]
3 months	13⅞-13[illegible]	12 months	13⅞-13[illegible]

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate%)
3 months 14¼ 6 months 14¼

Finance House Base Rate 14½%

Treasury Bill Tender

Applications	£356m	allotted	£100m
Bids at	£96.77½	received	44%
Last week	£96.70	received	88%
Average rate	12.8910%	Last week	13.1973%
Next week	£100m	replace	£100m

Other Markets

Australia	1.6755-1.6905
Bahrain	0.6675-0.6705
Finland	8.1385-8.1785
Greece	111.45-113.45
Hongkong	10.3060-10.3460
Iran	n.a.
Kuwait	0.5073-0.5102
Malaysia	4.1335-4.1535
Mexico	81.35-82.85
New Zealand	2.3005-2.3205
Saudi Arabia	6.0645-6.0845
Singapore	3.7605-3.7905
South Africa	1.8530-1.8680

Dollar Spot Rates

* Ireland	1.4455-1.4485
+ Canada	1.2235-1.2238
Netherlands	2.6495-2.6525
Belgium	45.10-45.15
Denmark	8.1000-8.1100
West Germany	2.3860-2.3870
Portugal	72.50-73.00
Spain	105.35-105.45
Italy	1321.50-1322.50
Norway	6.0650-6.0750
France	6.2350-6.2400
Sweden	5.8800-5.8900
Japan	241.20-241.40
Austria	16.74-16.76
Switzerland	1.9670-1.9700

* Ireland quoted in US currency.
+ Canada $1 : US $0.8170-0.8173

Euro-$ Deposits

(%) calls, 14-15; seven days, 14½-15½; one month, 14[illegible]-15[illegible]; three months, 14[illegible]-15[illegible]; six months, 14[illegible]-15[illegible].

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $346.75 (an ounce); pm, $352.25 close, $352.50.
Krugerrand* (per coin): $362-364 (£204.50-205.50).
Sovereigns* (new): $84.50-85.50 (£47.5-48.25).
* Excludes VAT

RUGBY UNION

Tables turned as Cardiff chase the elusive double

By Gerald Davies

To win both cup and championship in the same year has eluded every Welsh rugby side except Llanelli in 1974. This was their glittering period under Carwyn James in the early 1970s when they dominated the cup competition — winning it on four consecutive occasions — and swept all else before them including the All Blacks. More recently both Bridgend in 1979 and 1981, and Swansea in the intervening year, have come close to the double. But both stumbled at the final hurdle.

In today's Schweppes Welsh cup final against Bridgend, it is Cardiff's turn to chase the elusive double. Although it is a repeat of last year's match there is a delicate reversal of roles. This may determine the psychological balance in the preparation of both teams. Last year Bridgend came to the Arms Park with hopes of the double, but were thwarted by John Scott's inspired pack. Bridgend may have felt a small town's sense of injustice, but it was their big-city neighbours who amply avenged 14 conspicuous years of failure against Bridgend — they had lost 12 times and drawn twice on their own patch.

This year it is Cardiff who are riding high. They have lost only four of their 36 matches. They have already secured the championship and a cup victory would crown their season.

There is little to choose between the teams. Both have obdurate, unyielding front row forwards. Both back rows are quick and resourceful. Cardiff's youthful second row of Edwards and Norster will find Bridgend's more seasoned campaigners, Howe and Evans, difficult to shift. Both Williams and Rees at full back are steady in defence yet enjoy the chance to attack.

Each pair of centres boast thrustful runners — Daniels (Cardiff) and Daniel (Bridgend) — complemented by the sturdy influence of Williams and Barry. But the balance may hinge on the play of the half backs where Cardiff's Holmes and Davies face the former usurpers for their places in the national team, Williams and Pearce.

Davies, in particular, after the criticisms he has suffered this year will want to impress, but Cardiff will not forget that it was Pearce who kicked six penalties to beat them 18-16 a fortnight ago.

Bridgend have an attacking reputation despite some cautious perfomances in the cup competition. Cardiff too can play the expansive game if the spirit moves them, as I did against the Barbarians recently, but they have generally prospered in a tighter game.

In the 10 year history o the competition the final has often been disappointing. These two sides have the potential to change that.

CARDIFF: P Rees; S Evans, P Daniels, D Barry, D Preece; W G Davies, T Holmes; J Whitefoot, A J Phillips, I Eidman, K Edwards, R Norster, O Golding, J P Scott (Capt), J R Lewis. Replacements: P Goodfellow, M Hutchings, G Williams, L O'Brien, R Lakin, J Rawlins.

BRIDGEND: H Davies; M Tilley, P Daniel, C Williams, F Owen; G Pearce, Gerald Williams (Capt); I Stephens, G Davies, M James, W Howe, R Evans, G Jones, S Ellis, Gareth Williams. Replacements: G Webbe, D James, N Price, L Bowen, C Hillman, L Davies.

Referee: C Norling (Swansea).


Gareth Davies: keen to silence critics in duel with Pearce

Argentines in squad

Canberra, April 23. — The Argentine rugby players Hugo Port and Rafael Madero are expected to play in an international XV in Sydney next month despite the Falkland Islands dispute. The Japanese winger, Masaru Fujiwara, and Ireland's "Ollie" Campbell have confirmed their participation. — Agence France-Presse.

Cup finalists rest top men

Neither of the John Player Cup finalists, Gloucester and Moseley, present anything like representative teams at Kingsholm and the *Reddings today*, *David Hands* writes. A 'shadow' Gloucester XV plays Exeter with Peter Butler at full back but a problem at stand-off, where Les Jones has a damaged hamstring and his young deputy, Paul Webb, has had an operation on a damaged nose.

Moseley's backs have a very 2nd XV look against Leicester in a repeat — in name only — of their cup semi-final. The pack is stronger and the only long-term doubt for the final is the centre, John Desborough, though Moseley hope he will be fit. Leicester will be without their England hooker, Peter Wheeler, who has a back injury.

☐ The final of the national colts knockout competition takes place at Weston-super-Mare between Somerset and Yorkshire, who last week beat the holders, Warwickshire. This is the first time since 1939 that Somerset have been in any kind of final.

HOCKEY

Slough will again act as yardstick

By Sydney Friskin

It is impossible to preview a tournament at club level without bringing Slough to the forefront. Today at Eastcote they begin the defence of the inter-league championship, sponsored by Trueman, which they have won for the past two years. Having lost the national championships to Southgate recently they are intent on keeping this trophy.

The event will make frequent calls on the exertions of eight teams, four in each of two groups, who will play a round-robin series from which the winners will qualify for tomorror's final, at 2.45. Sough, by custom, are in the stronger group, where their rivals are Neston, East Grinstead and Isca. Trojans, Sheffield, Bourneville nd Cambridge City make up the other group.

The news from Sough is that all their players are fit and available, which must be a forbidding thought for Neston, the stronger of the two Northern challengers, who play Slough this morning.

Isca, premier division champions of the West League, will be *watching this match* with interest because they play Slough in the afternooon. But Isca will themselves be put to the test by Neston, who are well-stocked with talented players, including Wilkinson from the England World Cup squad and Bobbie Smit, a former England international.

East Grinstead, runners-up to Trojans in the South League play-offs, could spring a surprise of two. The outlook in the other group is tantalizingly open. The chances of Trojans, a household word in this competition, could never be discounted, but Cambridge City must have an outside chance of reaching the final.

☐ The finals of the women's national county championship tournament takes place in portsmouth today and tomorrow, Joyce Whitehead writes.

It is the culmination of the counties' struggle for supremacy during the season. In the semi finals Sheffield League — North representatives who have county status — play Leicestershire and Suffolk play Surrey.

Leicestershire and Suffolk have both been there before. In fact they drew in the final in 1980. Sheffield League are never far behind and Surrey will be striving for the South's third title this season, the South having already won the territorial championship and the club championship. If they suceed it will set a record.

Leading fixtures today and tomorrow

First division

Kick off 3.0 unless stated.

Birmingham v Swansea
Brighton v Manchester U
Everton v Arsenal
Manchester C v Ipswich
Middlesbrough v Coventry
Nottm Forest v Aston Villa
Southampton v Liverpool
Stoke v Wolverhampton
Tottenham H v Notts Co
West Brom v Sunderland
West Ham v Leeds

Second division

Barnsley Charlton
Bolton v Crystal Palace
Cambridge U v Leicester
Cardiff v Q P Rangers
Chelsea v Derby
Newcastle v Grimsby
Norwich v Blackburn
Oldham v Wrexham
Rotherham v Luton
Shrewsbury v Orient
Watford v Sheffield W.

ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE: A.P. Leamington v Barrow; Bath v Telford United; Boston United v Trowbridge, Dartford v Stafford Rangers; Enfield v Northwich Victoria; Gravesend v Worcester; Kettering v Yeovil; Scarborough v Maidstone, Weymouth v Dagenham.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Midland division: Alvechurch v Cambridge City; Banbury v Bromsgrove; Bedford v Wellingborough; Bedworth v Barry; Corby v Witney Town; Enderby Town v Cheltenham; Gloucester v Kidderminster, Merthyr Tydfil v Nuneaton; Milton Keynes v Minehead; Stourbridge v Redditch; Taunton v Bridgend.

Southern division: Andover v Wealdstone; Ashford v Basingstoke; Aylesbury v Welling United, Dover v Chelmsford; Fareham Town v Dorchester; Folkstone v Dunstable; Hillingdon v Hastings; Hounslow v Canterbury; Poole v Gosport; Thanet United v Salisbury; Tonbridge v Crawley; Waterlooville v Addlestone & Weybridge.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Bangor City v Grantham, Burton Albion v Lancaster; Buxton v Morecambe; Gainsborough v Gateshead; Goole v Oswestry; King's Lynn v Macclesfield; Mossley v Matlock; Netherfield v Tamworth; South Liverpool v Workington; Witton Albion v Marine.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: Aston Villa v Manchester C (2.0); Blackburn v Everton; Blackpool v Newcastle (2.0); Bury v Nottm. Forest (3.15); Derby v Bolton (2.0); Liverpool v West Bromwich (2.0); Manchester U v Burnley (2.0); Sheffield W v Stoke; Wolverhampton v Preston (2.0).

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Fulham v Bristol R; Ipswich v Reading; Leicester v West Ham; Luton v Southampton; Oxford v Tottenham; Plymouth v Watford.

MIDLAND LEAGUE: Appleby-Frodingham v Heanor; Bridlington v Arnold; Brigg Town v Spalding; Guisborough v Belper; Ilkeston v Eastwood Town; Mexborough v Ashby; Shepshed v Alfreton; Sutton Town v Boston.

IRISH CUP: Final: Coleraine v Linfield (at The Oval, Belfast)

ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Banstead Athletic v Uxbridge; Burnham v Whyteleafe; Chertsey Town v Hereford United; Haringey Borough v Chalfont St Peter; Horley Town v Ruislip Manor; Kingsbury Town v Woodford Town; Leyton-Wingate v Marlow; Redhill v Hoddesdon.

WESTERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Barnstaple v Frome Town; Chippenham Town v Bridgwater Town (6.30); Clandown v Wellington; Dawlish v Melksham Town; Devizes Town v Liskeard Athletic; Falmouth Town v Keynsham Town; Saltash United v Clevedon Town.

ARTHURIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Old Brentwoods v Lancing O.B; Old Malvernians v Old Carthusians, First division: Old Ardinians v Old Westminsters; Old Bradfieldians v Old Reptonians

Third division

Bristol R v Walsall
Burnley v Bristol C
Chester v Brentford
Doncaster v Plymouth
Exeter v Newport
Gillingham v Carlisle
Hudersfield v Portsmouth
Preston N E v Oxford U
Reading v Southend
Swindon v Lincoln
Wimbledon v Chesterfield

Fourth division

Bradford C v Blackpool
Colchester v Darlington
Hartlepool v Port Vale
Hereford v Mansfield
Hull City v Bury
Northampton v Peterborough
Scunthorpe v Halifax (3.15)
Sheffield U v Bournemouth
Torquay v Stockport (7.30)
Tranmere v Aldershot (3.15)
Wigan v Rochdale

NORTHERN LEAGUE: Crook v West Auckland; Durham v Bishop Auckland; Ferryhill v North Shields; Penrith v Ashington; Shildon v Whitby; South Bank v Willington; Tow Law v Evenwood; Whitley Bay v Consett; Blyth Spartans v Billingham.

ESSEX SENIOR CUP: Final: Colchester United v Leytonstone & Ilford (at Dagenham)

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Bishop's Stortford v Sutton United; Bromley v Slough Town; Croydon v Boreham Wood; Dulwich Hamlet v Wycombe Wanderers; Harrow Borough v Hendon; Hitchin Town v Woking; Staines Town v Walthamstow Avenue; Tooting and Mitcham v Harlow Town. First division: Bognor Regis Town v Aveley (2.30); Clapton v Metropolitan Police; Epsom and Ewell v St. Alban's City; Farnborough Town v Ware, Feltham v Walton and Hersham; Hampton v Oxford City; Hertford Town v Wokingham Town; Hornchurch v Lewes; Tilbury v Kingstonian. Second division: Barton Rovers v Eastbourne United; Camberley Town v Cheshunt; Dorking Town v Hungerford Town; Epping Town v Horsham; Letchworth G.C. v Windsor and Eton; Molesey v Corinthian-Casuals; Southall v Rainham Town; Worthing v Harwich and Parkeston.

SCHOOLS INTERNATIONAL: Under-15: Scotland v England (Kirkcaldy).

Hockey

NATIONAL INTER-LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP (Eastcote H.C., Ruislip): Pool A: East Grinstead v Isca (10.30); Neston v Slough (11.0); Slough v Isca (2.0); East Grinstead b Neston (2.30). Pool B: Bournville v Cambridge City (11.30); Sheffield v Trojans (12.0); Cambridge City v Trojans (3.0); Bournville v Sheffield (3.30).
FESTIVAL: Thanet (Ramsgate).

Basketball

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: England v Scotland (Milton Keynes, 7.30).
WOMENS: Inter-area championships (Luton, 9.0).

Lacrosse

REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES: North v South (Cale Green, Stockport, 2.30); North Juniors v South Juniors (Cale Green, Stockport, 1.15).
NORTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Cheadle v Ashton; Old Stopfordians v Stockport; Urmston v Mellor.

Olympic man

The Olympic judo silver medal winner, Neil Adams, is one of the sportsmen taking part in the British Olympic day at Crystal Palace on May 3.

Scottish premier division

Aberdeen v Airdrie
Hibernian v St Mirren
Patrick T v Celtic
Rangers v Dundee U

Scottish first division

Ayr v Hamilton
Dumbarton v Kilmarnock
Dunfermline v Hearts
Falkirk v Raith R
Motherwell v Clydebank
Queen of South v Queen's Park
St Johnstone v E Stirlingshire

Scottish second division

Arbroath v Albion R
Berwick v Stenhousemuir
Forfar v Brechin
Montrose v Meadowbank
Stirling A v Alloa
Stranraer v Cowdenbeath

Tomorrow

Football

THIRD DIVISION: Millwall v Fulham (11.15).
SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION: Dundee v Morton.
SCOTTISH SECOND DIVISION: East Fife v Clyde.
ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE: Boston United v Yeovil (2.0); Enfield v Barrow (11.0).
NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: King's Lynn v Mossley; Matlock v Lancaster; Oswestry v Buxton.
MIDLAND LEAGUE: Skegness v Bridlington.
ARTHURIAN LEAGUE: Premier Division: Old Carthusians v Old Malvernians; (11.0); Old Cholmeleians v Old Brentwoods (3.0)

Rugby Union

CLUB MATCH, Torquay v Penarth

LANCASHIRE CUP: final: Orrell v Liverpool (3.0)
NOTTS, LINCS & DERBYS CUP: Final: Stamford v Newark (3.0)
SEVENS TOURNAMENTS: Buckinghamshire (Beaconsfield 12.0); Cambridge (Shelford); Canterbury (Canterbury); Essex (Thurrock)

Rugby League

FIRST DIVISION: Castleford v Wakefield Trinity (3.30); Fulham v Leeds; Hull v Widnes (2.30); Leigh v Hull K R (3.30); Warrington v Barrow; Wigan v St Helens; York v Bradford Northern
SECOND DIVISION: Blackpool Borough v Dewsbury; Bramley v Cardiff City; Carlisle v Oldham; Doncaster v Swinton; Huddersfield v Workington Town; Huyton v Hunslet; Rochdale Hornets v Halifax

Basketball

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: England v Austria (Milton Keynes, 3.15);
WOMEN: Inter-area championships (Luton, 9.0).

Motor cycling

THRUXTON: marlboro Clubmans Series (12.0)

Motor racing

CADWELL PARK: Formula Ford, plus supporting programme (2.0).

Hockey

NATIONAL INTER-LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP (Eastcote H. C., Ruislip): Pool A: Slough v Eastgrinstead (9.30); Isca v Neston (10.0). Pool B: Trojans v Bournville (10.30); Cambridge City v Sheffield (11.0). Final (2.45): Winner Pool A v Winner pool B.

KENT CUP: Final: Beckenham v Old Williamsons (Canterbury, 2.45)

☐ The second leg of the FA Youth Cup final between Watford and Manchester united will be at Vicarage Road on May 6. The first leg is at Old Trafford next Monday.

Rugby Union

WELSH CUP: Final: Bridgend v Cardiff (Cardiff).

CLUB MATCHES: Aberavon v Newbridge (3.30); Abertillery v Penarth; Bath v Bedford; Bradford v Birkenhead Park; Bridgwater & Albion v Nuneaton; Bristol v Coventry; Broughton Park v Northern; Chester v Morley; Gloucester v Exeter; Gosforth v Hartlepool Rovers; Halifax v Vale of Lune; Harrogate v Huddersfield; Headingley v Fylde; Manchester v Birmingham; Mosley v Leicester; Plymouth Albion v Northampton; Roundhay v Rugby; Waterloo v Sheffield.

NATIONAL COLTS KNOCKOUT: Final: Somerset v Yorkshire (Weston-super-Mare).

SEVENS TOURNAMENT: Middlesex event preliminary rounds (Beckenham; Centaurs, Osterley; London Irish, Sunbury-on-Thames; Old Millhillians, Headstone Lane; Old Paulines, Thames Ditton; Saracens, Southgate; Upper Clapton, Epping; Wasps, Sudbury).

Rugby League

SECOND DIVISION: Blackpool Borough v Cardiff City.

Weekend cricket

Today (11.30 to 6.30)
CAMBRIDGE: Cambridge University v Nottinghamshire.
OXFORD: Oxford University v Northamptonshire.
BRIGHTON: County indoor competition (10.0am to 10.0pm).
Tomorrow
BRIGHTON: County indoor competition (2.0 to 10.0).


Botham: at Dudley

Botham at the double

Ian Botham and Viv Richards will take part in a floodlit double wicket competition at Dudley on May 21. Botham and Richards will be joined by Bob Willis and Joel Garner in the competition, which is part of Richards' benefit year.

Unit Trust Prices—change on the week

This table is published on Wednesday and Saturday—FT index change on week 567.1 + 16.4 .4 (2.98%)

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Spurs and Villa await aftermath of Europe

By Norman Fox

In their different ways, Aston Villa and Tottenham Hotspur returned from European matches this week in disgrace; Villa because of unruly supporters and Tottenham merely because the lost. Villa now wait to know their penalty while today Tottenham could pay the cost of their efforts.

Spurs have no serious chance of reviving their championship hope, and, having lost to Baracelona in the European Cup Winners' Cup, are left with only the FA Cup as an opportunity for reward in their industrious and consistently entertaining season.

Villa will end their term higher than at times they expected and they are unlikely to be stopped from playing in the European Cup final against Bayern Munich despite hot protests from their semi-final opponents, Anderlecht.

Yesterday in Brussels, Anderlecht officials appealed to the European authority (UEFA) to expel Villa because of the invasion of their pitch. Failing that they want a replay of the semi-final second leg because they say a spectator was on the pitch when one of their players was about to shoot. The evidence is on their side but next week UEFA will probably dismiss it all with their usual fine, warning and perhaps a suspension from future competition.

At least Villa's team escaped without injury and they expect to all be fit against Nottingham Forest at the City Ground today, but Tottenham, at home to Notts County, have had to patch up five players after their visit to Spain. The injured, including Hoddle, will all play. With three games in hand over the leaders, Liverpool, Spurs can still look forward to a high placing. Today fatigure could be their most searching adversary.

Having seen Ipswich close up with a difficult home win over Manchester United in midweek, Liverpool are still under threat from East Anglia and, tenuously, from Swansea City. For their visit to Southampton today they will again be without Souness,



Moss . . . Luton may have his sprints down the wing

although he has resumed training. Keegan, looking splendid for Southampton these days, no longer has inside knowledge of his former club. He has played with only two of the present side.

Promotion from the second division and relegation from the first are particularly relevant today. Stoke City and Wolverhampton Wanderers converge at the Victoria Ground with both badly needing victory while at the top of the second division, Luton and Watford need to beat Rotherham and Sheffield Wednesday respectively. The game at Stoke has an added personal edge of rivalry. Stoke are now managed by Richie Barker, who was formerly at Wolves, and his defence includes Parkin, also a former Wolves man.

Sheffield Wednesday, who have won 10 away matches, will be without Megson and McCulloch when trying to achieve a season's double over Watford. Victory for Watford at Vicarage Road would almost certainly complete their climb from the fourth to first division in five seasons. As for Wednesday, they have been outside the elite division for all too long.

Luton go to Rotherham hoping to confirm promotion but several injuries may hinder them. Stephens, Hill, Fuccillo and Jennings were all having treatment yesterday. However, Moss should be fit to sprint down the wing. The irony of today's situation is that a win for Luton could help Watford win promotion. Next season they may be competing for spectators from north of London.

Withdrawal of Price 'slap in face for Welsh'

Tottenham Hotspur yesterday withdrew Paul Price from the Welsh party for next week's home international match against England and incurred the displeasure of the Wales manager, Mike England. Mr England said the decision was a slap in the face for Welsh football, Norman Fox writes.

Tottenham, who have released Glenn Hoddle and Ray Clemence for England, claimed that with their other central defender, Miller, injured they had to retain Price for next Wednesday's league game against Birmingham. Mr England said: "It seems that this is showing favouritism to the other side. Perhaps Burkinshaw wants England to win. Price is our captain and a key figure in the way we play."

Peter Shreeves, Tottenham's assistant manager, said: "We sympathise with Mike England and appreciate that he has a job to do." However, he said that with Miller injured and Price carrying a groin strain it was not possible to allow the Welsh captain to play twice in two days. Mr England said be appreciated there was a backlog of fixtures.

Last month Wales were in a similar position when Price and Stevenson, of Birmingham, withdrew but the Football League decided both players had to released because it was an "international week". Stevenson has again withdrawn and will be replaced by Stevenson, of Swansea. Price's place goes to Flynn, of Leeds.

Tottenham have withdrawn Galvin and Hughton from the Republic of Ireland squad for next week's friendly match in Algeria. McDonagh, the Bolton goalkeeper, and the Liverpool players Lawrenson and Whelan, have also pulled out because of club commitments.

Broadhurst bar

The Birmingham City midfield player, Kevan Broadhurst, has been banned for two matches by an FA disciplinary hearing after reaching 20 points.

World Cup officials row

Madrid, April 23.—Three top officials of Spain's World Cup organizing committee patched up a row today which threatened to upset preparations for the 24-nation competition less than two months before it starts.

The committee's secretary-general, Manuel Benito, had threatened to resign, after directing preparations for the last four years. He complained that the president, Raimundo Saporta, and the vice-president, Anselmo Lopez, were interferring in matters for which he should be responsible, committee sources said.

The president of the Spanish Football Federation, Pablo Porta, who held a long meeting with the three, said the differences had been settled.—Reuter.

Partick need to upset leaders

Partick Thistle hope to bolster their late challenge for Scottish premier division safety when the likely champions, Celtic, visit Firhill Park today. The part-time Glasgow club defeated their relegation rivals, Dundee, 2-1 on Wednesday and Peter Cormack, the league's youngest manager, believes that result could prove to be the turning point for his team.

Thistle's victory lifted them to within two points of Dundee, who currently occupy a safe position three places off the bottom. Airdrie are four points behind Partick.

Mr Cormack said of the victory at Dundee: "We let ourselves off the hook. Had we lost, then I doubt if we could have made it up. Now there are just two points in it and we must grasp the opportunity to survive in the top flight."

As Celtic move on towards another title, they are aiming to beat their own premier division record of 56 points. Dundee tackle Morton on Sunday afternoon, knowing just how they stand in relation to the league positions.

Their manager, Donald Mackay, admitted: "If Thistle beat Celtic, the pressure is on us. On the other hand, all known form suggests a Celtic win and that would allow us to face Morton in a more confident frame of mind."

Airdrie, needing a miraculous series of results to remain in the premier divison, have agreed to sell their top scorer, Sandy Clark, but Aberdeen, heading the race for his signature, are maintaining a silence over their reported bid.

Aberdeen, who meet Airdrie today, hope to bring back their international midfielder Strachan, who will have a late fitness test on a groin strain. The outcome may decide whether Strachan plays against Northern Ireland next week.

Dundee United, Uefa Cup quarter-finalists this season are in urgent need of points to qualify again. They meet Rangers with fitness doubts surrounding Hegarty, Narey and Gough. Rangers hope to bring back Cooper, their international winger.

☐ Manchester United have given Paddy Roche, the former Republic of Ireland goalkeeper, a free transfer.

Only 14 cars for San Marino Grand Prix

From John Blunsden Imola, April 23

Official practice began this morning for Sunday's San Marino Grand Prix, with the issue being contested by a mere 14 cars and drivers. There was the incongruous sight of Niki Lauda sitting outside the Marlboro hospital unit with no car to drive.

"I'm here because it is my job to be here. There was a chance that an overnight compromise might be reached which would enable the McLaren team to arrive this morning, but it doesn't look as though it will happen. If they are not here soon, I shall fly home to Austria."

I asked Lauda for a driver's view of the motor racing impasse and of the sequence of events which has led up to it. He is deeply worried about the sport's future and is convinced that it can stand very little more of the strife which has afflicted it for the past two years.

"Basically, I think there have been three separate mistakes during the past few months, Lauda said. Firstly, I think it was wrong to go so far in stretching the rules by the use of extra water tanks. This was showing no respect for the rules. Okay I know every opportunity has to be tried in a competitive situation. But this was going too far. At least that is my personal opinion, although I must say that I back my team 100 per cent in everything which they feel they are justified in doing.

"Secondly the decision of the tribunal last Monday to disqualify Piquet and Rosberg from the Brazilian results was a complete joke. They just didn't understand what the real problem was. It wasn't a protest against just two cars, but about the whole situation concerning the use of water tanks and running under weight cars.

"It had been necessary for someone to launch a protest against one or more of these cars in order to get a clear ruling, which the FISA had failed to provide. In my opinion, the FISA should have stamped on the tanks idea as soon as it was seen way back at the end of last season. By the South African race, for example, they should have said 'No more. From the next race they will be banned.'

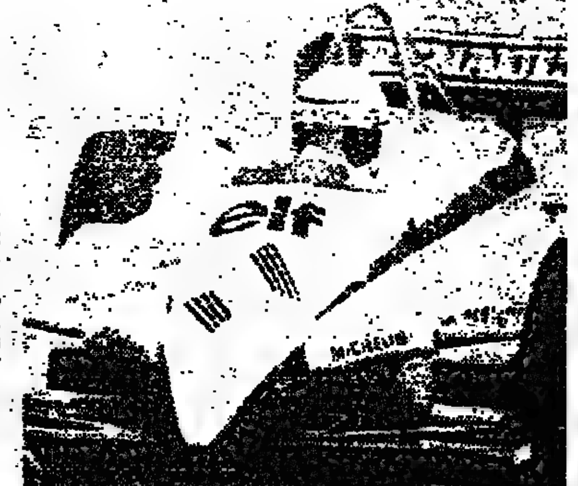
"The third mistake is the failure this week to reach a compromise and save the race as a fully representative Grand Prix. It would have been easy for the teams to say okay, FISA hasn't done its job properly but we know the tanks are exploiting the rule, so let us take the things out and we'll put in some lead to make up the weight, just to save the race. Then on Monday we'll have a meeting in Paris and get a proper solution once and for all.

"I think there could soon be a fourth mistake too, and this could be the most serious of the lot. The forthcoming FIA meeting in Casablanca to decide proposed changes in regulations will once again involve people who have little understanding of the sport and who therefore can be manipulated. Some of the proposals which I believe they will be considering could have the effect of killing off either the turbo teams like Ferrari and Renault or the FOCA teams like McLaren, Williams, Brabham and the rest. They can't possibly suit both sides.

"Instead, the FIA should be finding ways to unite the two factions, not destroying one of other of them. Grand Prix racing's strength is its variety, and that means cars, drivers, teams, engines, everthing. We have to find a way to safeguard them all."

Inevitably, today's practice was a very low key affair with Alain Prost setting the fastest time in his spare Renault after his first car had given trouble. Britain's Derek Warwick raised the morale of the Toleman team considerably by setting the sixth best time while Brian Henton was tenth in his first drive in the Tyrrell team as a replacement for Slim Borgudd.

"I'm still learning the car and gradually gaining confidence in it," he told me. "But I'm determined not to bend it. This is a great opportunity for me and I don't want to waste it." It will be, if Ken Tyrrell decides to race his car after all. He is playing his cards very close to his chest today and he tells me that he will not make a final decision before tomorrow evening. Meanwhile, the granstands are full of bemused and bewildered spectators, not quite sure what they have come to watch, or indeed why they made the journey in the first plac.



Alain Prost: his Renault had fastest time in pra...

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GOLF

Teeing up in memory of Mrs Holm

By Lewine Mair

Belle Robertson, the 1981 British women's champion, tees up shortly after nine o'clock this morning for the first round of the Helen Holm Trophy, a 54-hole medal event comprising 36 holes over Troon Portland and 18 over the Open championship links of Royal Troon.

Already this season the winner of the Roehampton Gold Cup, Mrs Robertson has among her rivals Wilma Aitken and Jane Connachan, two players who, like herself, are members ofthe nine-strong British training squad from which this summer's Curtis Cup side is to be selected.

Gillian Stewart, the holder, is also in the field, as is Winnie Wooldridge, the former Wightman Cup player who must surely be chosen go play gold for Scotland before too long.

The premier medal play event was introduced to the Scottish calendar after the death in December, 1971, of the much loved Helen Holm. In her later years a keen administrator with a particular interest in up and coming golfers, Mrs Holm always considered that the best way of bringing on juniors was to play with them.

People still talk of that day in a British women's championship of the sixties when the young English girl playing alongside Mrs Holm asked casually of the veteran Scot if whe had ever taken part in the championship before. When Mrs Holm answered in the affirmative, the youngster further inquired as to how far she had got.

"Won it twice," came the somewhat devastating reply.

Cañizares scorches clear of his rivals

John Hennessy, Golf Correspondent, Madrid, April 23

José-Maria Cãnizares set such a blistering pace on the second day of the Madrid Open golf championship that no one was able to get within three strokes of his two-round total of 134 (64 today).

He thus assumed the lead from his compatriot, Antonio Garrido (70). Sandy Lyle, perhaps the priciple British hope, lies one stroke further back (67) together with a fellow Scot, Sam Torrance (67). Next comes Michel Tapia of France (69), followed by another Britain, Carl Mason (71), a surprise intruder from Canada, Gerry Anderson (69), and two Spaniards, Severiano Ballesteros (69) and José Davila (69). Par for the 7,117 yards Puerta de Hierro course is 72.

Cãnizares's round, of course, was the stuff of dreams, including an improbable eagle at the par four 13th, which, according to the evidence of Tony Jacklin, one of his playing partners, was only a whisker away from an albatross. The hole measures 304 yards and Cãnizares's prodigious tee shot rimmed the hole before dying four or five feet away.

Elsewhere he had birdies at the four long holes, as any good professional would hope to do, especially if he had the Spaniard's length of the tee.

Lyle had a more conventional eagle at the 494 yards 15th. He got home, according to his caddy "with a sumptuous five iron" (well, he did study law at Oxford — the caddy, I mean) and holed from 10 feet.

Yet, for a man of his power, Lyle was let down by the long holes. Two extracted their full quota of strokes, and at the 561 yards second Lyle got the distance with a colossal one iron but unhappily pulled it into a bunker, when he took four to get down, including three putts from five yards.

Ballesteros was like any other mortal for most of the day, save for the huge gallery he towed in his wake. Yet he fought back splendidly. He hooked five tee shots into the trees going out, and before the vast assembly in front of the club house he took an ugly six at the par-four ninth. The silence belonged to a cathedral. But an eagle and two birdies in the last four holes brought the smiles back to Spanish eyes. What a resilient character he is.

SECOND ROUND LEADERS: 134: J-M Canizares (Spain), 70, 64. 137: A Garrido (Sp), 67, 70. 138: S Lyle (GB), 71, 67; S Torrance (GB), 71, 67; M Tapia (France), 69, 69. 139: C Mason (GB), 68, 71; J Anderson (Canada), 70, 69; S Ballesteros (Sp), 70, 69; J Davila (Sp), 70, 69. 140: V Fernandez (Argentina), 69, 71. 141: J Anglada (Sp), 72, 69; Cassell (United States), 72, 79. 142: J O'Leary (Ireland), 69, 73; F Allen (South Africa), 71, 71; M Calero (Sp), 72, 70; D Smyth (Ire), 71, 71; G Cullen (GB), 73, 69. 143: B Dassu (Italy), 69, 74; M Pinero (Sp), 73, 70; M King (GB), 72, 71. 144: G Harvey (GB), 70, 74; M McLean (GB), 73, 71; J Hegarty (Ire), 73, 71; M Montes (Sp), 73, 71; P Elson (GB), 73, 71; J Rivero (Sp), 72, 72; J Mendiz (Sp), 73, 71. 145: R Rafferty (GB), 75, 70; Gracias (Sp), 75, 70; P Tahrberg (Swe), 76, 69; P Way (GB), 73, 73; C O'Connor (Ire), 73, 73; M Garcia (Sp), 72, 73; T Johnstone (Zimbabwe), 72, 73; K Waters (GB), 70, 75; J Logan (GB), 75, 70. 146: G Brand Jnr (GB), 74, 72; E Murray (GB), 74, 72. 147: A Jacklin (GB), 75, 72; P Hoad (GB), 73, 74. 148: H Clark (GB), 74, 71; W Humphreys (GB), 77, 71. 150: E Darcy (Ire), 76, 74. 151: N Job (GB), 77, 74. 154: R Chapman (GB), 74, 80.

CYCLING

Belgians lead in Sealink

By John Wilcocks

Dirk De Wolf, a B... Lombeck, has taken... lead in the Sealink T... cycle race with... remaining.

De Wolf, aged 21,... eight riders who... Norfolk Park, Sheff... day; two-and-a-hal... ahead of the overnigh...

Another Belgian,... houzee, outstrippe... Marcusen in the spr... place. Marcussen, a... 26 who won his... Wednesday, was the... of the breakaway... went clear as this f... moved into Leicester... 93-mile route across... ties. With 53 miles... Marcussen had no d... striking for home.

He found permane... the two Belgians, wit... help came from Robe... France and Irish... McQuaid. The other... break were Steve L... Great Britain, Gerard... the Netherlands an... Molik of Poland. The... all riding defensively... team colleagues pl... them in the overall cl...

De Wolf started the... place, 45 seconds... overnight leader, Bi... of The Netherlands... was wiped out withi... the attack developing...

Ten miles later,... riders had a lead of... five minutes and at... the hilliest 35 miles... the gap reached eig... fifteen seconds.

It was only thei... Dutch, Polish and B... left in the main gro... the chase. Each tea... watching each othe... forgotten apparently... danger posed by D... Marcussen. It was a f...

Spearheaded by... riders, a group of 25... clear. They had redu... to five minutes with... go. Marcussen led... short, steep climb... outskirts of Sheffie... both McQuaid and M... behind. But six ride... together at Norfolk... Delehouzee gained ea... win this year.

Besides donning... jersey for today's... across the Peak... Manchester, De Wol... the lead in the K... Mountains contest... leads the team pl... Great Britain.

It is still possible... Elliott or Bob Downs... British victory, but... uphill task.

FOURTH STAGE (Peterboro... 93 miles: 1, R Delehouze... 09mins 14sec; 2, M Marcus... 08 15; 3, S Lawrence (GB)... Forest (France), 4 08 19;... (Belgium), 4 08 22; 6, G S... ds), 4 08 25; 7, J McQuaid... 8, Z Molik (Poland), 4 09... (Scotland), 4 10 37; 10, D E... 42.

OVERALL: 1, De Wolf, 15h... 2, Marcussen, 15 55 58; 3,... 57 33; 4, A Wekema (Netherl... 5, Schipper, 15 58 19; 6, E... Z Szczepkowski (Poland),... Downs (GB), 15 58 31.

MOSCOW: 200m: N Kovche... sec (world record). 500m: K... 31.11 (world record).

SANTANDER: Tour of Spa... (129 miles): 1, E Plancka... 50sec; 2, S Muller (Swit... Gomez (France), both same... Gomez.

-CRICKET

Pringle in command as caution rules Cambridge

By Richard Streeton

CAMBRIDGE: The university drew with Glamorgan.

Cambridge, handicapped by injuries, seemed overawed initially by the target left them of 326 in four hours and threequarters, even if by the end they came closer than at one time had seemed probable. After two days and more of entertaining cricket, the final stages were a bit of a letdown.

Mills and Varey gave Cambridge a cautious start, knowing that Pringle and Henderson were absent having treatment for ankle and groin strains. These two were the men most likely to mount a challenge if one was to come and by the time they returned to the ground and were at the wicket together it was virtually too late. Henderson was held at short leg but Pringle, for the second time in the game, batted with a commanding assurance.

Doggart helped Pringle add 103 brisk runs for the fifth wicket at the 11th hour, but when Doggart was bowled the match was given up. Cambridge still required 70 with 10.2 overs left and caution prevailed.

Mills earlier interspersed his periods of care with some delightful strokes on the backfoot that brought him ten fours, most of them square on the offside. Mills was held at backward short leg via his pads. It was the first success in a lengthy spell for Rowe, who judged on this match, is in the mood to unjoy his career with Glamorgan.

Before the declaration Ontong and Llewellyn, the overnight

In an effort to improve their showing in the Benson and Hedges competition, in which they play as combined universities, Oxford and Cambridge have agreed to meet each other in two one-day games for the first time. Cambridge visit the Parks tomorrow for the first of these 55-over games and Oxford come to Fenner's on Sunday week.

GLAMORGAN: First Innings, 281 for 9 dec (A Jones 103, G C Holmes 68; K I Hodgson 8 for 68)

Second Innings

A Jones, c Goldie, b Hodgson	31
A L Jones, c Goldie, b Hodgson	20
R C Ontong, not out	106
C J C Rowe, c Varey, b Doggart	44
M J Llewellyn, not out	61
Extras (l-b 2, w 2)	4
Total (3 wkts dec)	266

G C Holmes, † E W Jones, *B J Lloyd, M A Nash, S A B Daniels and S R Barwick did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-48, 2-53, 3-126.

BOWLING: Palmer, 13-2-66-0; Dutton, 4-1-22-0; Hodgson, 22-5-71-2; Doggart, 20-1-86-1, Boyd-Moss, 7-3-17-0.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: First innings, 222 (D R Pringle 127, B J Lloyd 5 for 58)

Second Innings

J P C Mills, c Lloyd, b Rowe	56
D Varey, b Rowe	41
R J Boyd-Moss, c A L Jones, b Nash	18
S P Henderson, c A L Jones, b Lloyd	23
*D R Pringle, not out	73
S J G Doggart, b Daniels	34
Extras (b 1, l-b 5, w 5)	11
Total (5 wkts)	256

K I Hodgson, † C F E Goldie, C C Ellison, R S Dutton and R W M Palmer did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-78, 2-115, 3-125, 4-153, 5-256.

BOWLING: Nash, 14-4-38-1; Daniels, 5 4-0-19-1; Barwick, 12-6-17-0; Lloyd, 28-11-78-1; Rowe, 27-6-84-2; Ontong, 6-1-29-0

Umpires: J Birkenshaw and D G L Evans

Talks start on Test sponsorship

The Cornhill Insurance Company and the Test and County Cricket Board resumed discussions on the future sponsorships of Test matches yesterday.

Cornhill's five-year £1m deal runs out this summer, but on the day that talks were due to begin on a fresh arrangement two months ago, the dozen English cricketers announced they were going to South Africa, thereby throwing this year's Tests and the whole future of international cricket into doubt.

Cornhill financially underpinned English cricket when it was under similar threat from Kerry Packer in 1977, and yesterday the company's general manager, Cecil Burrows, said: "We would like to continue our association with English Test cricket."

The sponsors gave the England team £1,750 as a bonus for winning the inaugural Test in Sri Lanka last winter and England will receive a similar amount for each Test voctory against India and Pakistan this season. The team winning each series will earn £2,000, the top player of each series will receive £700 and each man of the match £350.

National Cup for Scots

Scotland are on the way to having a national cup competition based on the format used for the Benson and Hedges Cup. Earlier this year a majority of clubs turned down a proposal by the Scottish Cricket Union for a national league, and the union said then that it would consider an alternative, Iain Mackenzie writes.

It has now written to all member clubs for their views about a competition to begin next year, running from mid-June to late August, involving 20 teams from the Highlands to the Borders. In naming a mid-June starting date the SCU has tacitly admitted that despite an improvement in standards Scotland is not yet ready for the later stages of the Benson and Hedges trophy.

The secretary, Robert Barclay said yesterday, "We appreciate that top clubs and top players will be asked to turn out even more in an already crowded season, but the competition will not start until the zone rounds of the Benson and Hedges have been completed.

If the clubs agree as is expected there will be four groups with five clubs in each, playing in June and July for quarter-final places. The quarter-finals and semi-finals will be on a knockout basis in August and the final on a neutral ground will be held at the end of August or early in September if necessary.

At present there is a modified Scottish Cup competition sponsored by the estate agents Knight, Frank and Rutley, who are expected to continue their support. This year's final will be at Raeburn Place Edinburgh on Sunday, August 15.

Fast bowler with a difference

Sarah Potter, the 20-year-old daughter of the television playwright Dennis Potter, breaks into a male domain this weekend by playing for the second XI of Hereford Men's cricket club. Miss Potter, one of England's most promising female fast bowlers, is anxious to improve her cricket. There is little women's cricket in her area and she has practised throughout the winter with the men's club and has now been selected entirely on merit.

She expects to be used as first or second change bowler and will bat at number six or seven. "I must admit I'm very nervous" Miss Potter said. "But playing in men's cricket will help improve my own cricketing ability."

Miss Potter, who works as a personal assistant to her father, wants to play for the England womens team. She has played for Young England, toured India 18 months ago, but narrowly missed selection for last winter's tour to New Zealand.

IN BRIEF

McEnroe survives marathon

John McEnroe, aged 23, defending champion in the World Championship tennis final, saved four match points to survive his quarter-final clash with Bill Scanlon, Frank Rostron writes from Dallas. The score was 5-7, 6-4, 2-6, 7-6, 6-4 in 4 hours 40 minutes which broke the record for the event. The previous longest was the 1975 final in which Bjorn Borg beat Rod Laver 7-6, 3-6, 7-6, 6-2.

The local crowd of over 11,000, which in the past two years has reacted with hostility to petulent behaviour by McEnroe, this time went through alternating ecstacy and agony for Scanlon during the prolonged tie-breaker which decided the fourth set.

The crisis for McEnroe passed. Scanlon's glittering dreams and the crowd's hopes quickly dissolved when the champion got an immediate service break at the start of the fifth set and powered on in a semi-pained silence to the anti-climax of victory.

Ice hockey

The draw for the British championship play-offs at Streatham this weekend has put two formidable obstacles between the home team and the title. For Streatham Redskins to end recent Scottish domination of the British game, they would have to beat Murrayfield Racers in today's semi-final and, almost certainly, Dundee Rockets in tomorrow's final.

Murrayfield, who beat Streatham 8-4 in last year's final, have been champions for the last three years, but this season Dundee have stripped them of their titles, one by one. Another could go this weekend.

The tournament begins at 2 with Dundee due to face the champions of the English League North, Blackpool Seagulls. Streatham's game follows at 4.45.

Bowls

David Bryant (England) won the international singles tournament sponsored by CIS Insurance at Wymondham Dell, Norfolk, last night when he beat Brendan McBrien (Ireland) 21-8 in the final. Bryant was in his best vein and quickly established a 13-1 lead, mainly with threes. Everything McBrien did, Bryant surpassed (Gordon Allan writes).

Spencer Wilshire (Wales) nearly beat Bryant in a three-hour semi-final. He led 17-13, 18-14 and 19-15. At 19-19 he lay game, only for Bryant to kill the head with a drive. It killed Wilshire's hopes too. Bryant won 21-19

This is CIS's debut in bowls sponsorship in England and the first tournament of this importance to be held in East Anglia. It is hope to make it an annual event.

SEMI-FINAL ROUND: D Bryant (England) 21, S Wilshire (Wales) 19; B McBrien (Ireland) 21, W McQueen (Scotland) 14. FINAL: Bryant 21, McBrien 8.

FOOTBALL

SOVIET LEAGUE: Kuban Krasnodar 0, Spartak Moscow 2; Kharkov 2, Pachtakor Tashkent 0; Zenit Lenigrad 2, Dynamo Kiev 0; CSKA moscow 2, Ararat Erevan 3; Dnepropetrovsk 3, Kairat Alma Ata 2; Dynamo Minsk 2, Odessa 1.

TENNIS

Taroczy finds way to recover

By Rex Bellemy, Tennis Correspondent

Balazs Taroczy of Hungary, the top seed, has beated Spaniards in two consecutive rounds to prevent the men's singles semi-finals of the British hard court championships, sponsored by State Express, from becoming an exclusily Spanish-speaking festival at Bournemouth today. The pairings will Be Taroczy v Manuel Orantes (Spain), champion in 1975, and Jose-Luis Damiani (Uruguay) v Angel Gimenez (Spain), winner in 1980.

Gimenez came back from 3-6, 2-5 down, saving two match points, before beating Paul McNamee 3-6, 7-6, 6-2. The longer the match lasted the better Gimenez played, though he was a little lucky that the match lasted as long as it did. Spaniards often need an hour's work behind them before their games slip into a secure groove.

For a time it seemed there might be a similar performance by another Spaniard, the bearded Jose Higueras, champion in 1978. He came from behind to lead Taroczy 4-1 in the third set and when Taroczy was serving at 3-4 and 0-40 his adversities looked terminal. But that large forehead conceals great powers of concentration. Taroczy cought and passed Higueras, winning the match by surviving five break points in a game of eight deuces. Taroczy took five games in a row to win 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 in two hours and 38 minutes.

This was a patient and painstaking example of the craft of tennis as it is played on shale. No player takes more care of his service then Higueras. Racket and ball move so slowly to their appointed rendezvous that Higueras, with wary sidelong glances, seems apprehensive that one or the other may get lost on the way.

The genial Orantes, four operations beyond the years when he won the United States championship and was runner-up for the French, diplayed a wonderous facility and economy of effort in giving Pablo Arraya a firm tutorial. Damiani was almost as merciless with another teenage opponent, Thierry Tulasne, whose game is largely top-spin and grunts.

Damiani, aged 25, ranks 58th in the world and has worked hard to get there. He is beefy and bearded. There is almost 13 stone of him. He is the kind of man w who eats Kendal Mint Cake and appears in advertisements for mountaineering equipment. He also knows, better than Tulsane, how to make artful use of the length and width of a tennis court.

There was also this chap called Ilie Nastase, who must be useful because he is still competing in three of the four events. In the over-35 singles he took an hour and threequarters to tame "The Bull", Cliff Richey, 6-4, 7-6. Nastase was all touch, dropshot service returns and rude asides, mostly directed at the umpire though Richey and the court did not escape comment. There were little sandstorms, too, as the breeze blew grit across the court. It was all rather typical of Nastase, the tenacious Richey, and Bournemouth tennis.

QUARTER FINALS: A Gimenez (Spain) beat P McNamee (Australia) 3-6, 7-6, 6-2; M Orantes (Spain) beat P Arraya (Peru) 6-2, 6-2; J L Damiani (Uruguay) beat T Tulsane (France) 6-2, 6-4; B Taroczy (Hungary) beat J Higueras (Spain) 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.

OVER 35's SINGLES: Semi-final: I Nastase (Romania) beat C Richey (US) 6-4, 7-6.

LAS VAGAS: J Connors beat V Winitsky, 6-1, 6-2; B Gottfried beat E Teltscher, 7-6, 6-1; J Kriek (SA) beat M Purcell, 7-6, 6-0; R Ramirez (Mexico) beat J Borowiak, 6-4, 6-1; G Mayer beat B Manson, 6-1, 7-6; S Denton beat C Lewis (NZ), 2-6, 6-3, 6-4; M Edmondson (Australia) beat B Teacher, 6-3, 2-0 scr.

AMELIA ISLAND (Florida): Women's tournament, quarter-finals: C Lloyd beat I Madruga, 6-3, 6-2; B Bunge (WG) beat P Casale, 6-0, 6-3; K Horvath beat C Tanvier (France), 7-5, 6-2; A Jaeger beat K Rinaldi, 6-3, 7-5.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Rovers hope to avoid being good neighbours

By Keith Macklin

The enthralling finish to the championship could tomorrow bring about an unlikely situation whereby Hull Kingston Rovers help their deadly rivals Hull to the title. This staggering possibility is one more twist in a remarkable climax to the season.

Tomorrow Hull meet Widnes in an all-ticket match at the Boulevard, while Leigh entertain Hull KR. If Hull beat Widnes and Rovers win at Leigh, Hull will be champions, and it would be the lion lying down with the lamb if Rovers produced such a favour for their neighbours. However, if Widnes win, Rovers will present the championship to Widnes by winning at Leigh.

The third possibility is that Leigh will win and move on to Whitehaven next Wednesday needing to win by a large margin to take the title.

Leigh have injury problems and will give late checks to Hogan, Green and Cooke before naming the side. Definitely out is the prop forward Wilkinson who has a rib cartilage injury. Widnes will give tests to their half-back pairing of Gregory and Tony Myler, and are hoping that both will be fit to play in a full strength side.

At the bottom of the table, Wigan are troubled by injuries as they prepare to meet St. Helens in a match they must win to stay in the first division. Fulham, Castleford, and Wakefield Trinity are scrambling to get out of the basement area, and are breathing heavily down the necks of the Wigan players.

Fulham have a tough home game against Leeds at Craven Cottage but their victories over Leigh and Hull in recent weeks will have given them great heart as they fight for survival. Meanwhile, Castleford and Wakefield Trinity meet in a 'dog eat dog' derby match at Castleford.

The final stages of the second division championship are as gripping as the events in the first. Carlisle and Oldham meet tomorrow at Brunton Park and Carlisle are seeking a double. However Oldham have a superior points difference and may still overtake Carlisle at the top even if they are beaten.

The fourth promotion place is between Salford and Halifax with only one point between them.

Lancashire team

The Lancashire rugby league side to meet Cumbria in the county championship at Workington on May 16 includes players from only four clubs — Widnes, Leigh, Wigan and Fulham.

TEAM: Burke (Widnes); Drummond (Leigh), Woods (Leigh), Stephenson (Wigan), Basnet (Widnes), Hughes (Widnes), Gregory (Widnes); M O'Neill (Widnes), Kiss (Wigan), Wood (Fulham), Potter (Leigh), F Whitfield (Widnes), Adams (Widnes). Subs: C Whitfield (Wigan), Wilkinson (Leigh).

SKIING CONDITIONS

SCOTLAND: Cairngorm: Main runs: A few complete, but narrow. Wet snow. Lower slopes: Limited nursery areas. Wet snow. Vert runs: 1,000ft access roads: Clear snow level 2,000ft. Glencoe: Main runs and lower slopes: all runs complete. New snow on a firm base. Vert runs. 1,500ft access roads: Clear snow level 2,300ft.

BOXING

Graham slowed down by plodder

Herol Graham, Sheffield's British and Commonwealth light-middleweight champion, was mystified at the mixed reception he received from the crowd when romping to a clear points win over a Frenchman Fred Coranson, at Liverpool.

Graham won eight rounds and drew two according to referee Harry Warner, who scored it 100-96, but the 22-year-old champion failed to produce the sort of destructive punching he needed to upset the 30-year-old from Dunkirk. Graham, sporting a nick over his left eye, said ruefully "I suppose you can't satisfy everybody, but unfortunately for me and the fans he was a plodder. It would have made a much better fight if he had been faster.

"I like a bit of speed but instead I found I dropped back to his pace. I think some thought it was going to be a walkover. But there was no way he was going to lay down. He was in there for a win just as much as I was".

RESULTS: Light-middleweight: Herol Graham beat Fred Coranson (France), pts. Light: Brian Snagg beat Jimmy Bunclarke third round. Light-welter: George Schofield beat Winston Mckenzie, pts. Heavy: Theo Joseph knocked out Noel Quarless, first round; Steve Gee beat Joe Christle, sixth round. Welter: Tony Brown beat Mickey Williams, third round.

☐ Mike Weaver will defend his World Boxing Association heavyweight title against Randy Cobb, the eighth-ranked contender, in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on June 2. The bout will be Weaver's third defence of the title he won by knocking out John Tate in the 15th round at Knoxville, Tennessee, in 1980.

FOR THE RE...

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Milwa... Toronto Blue Jays 0; Detroit... York Yankees 1; Cleveland I... Rangers 3; Seattle Mariner... Twins 4.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Chic... Atlanta Braves 1.

GOLF

INA: Japanese open champi... after second round: 137: T N... 138: G Norman (Australia)... Jones (Australia), 69, 71; G N... 72, 66; H Min-Nan (Taiwan),... Kawada, 66, 73; P Izumig... Stadler (US), 73, 66; R Stew... 71. 142: A Bonnington (NZ),... 73, 69; C Tze-Chung (Taiwan)... 72, 70.

SNOOKER

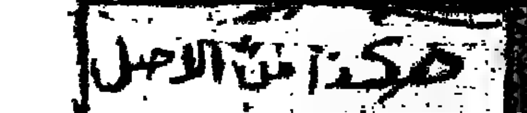
WORLD PROFESSIONAL C... Qualifying rounds: P Morgan... Greaves 2 (at Stockport); R ... 2 (at Sutton Coldfield); J F... Pulman, scratched.

YACHTING

HYERES (France): Olympic... after fourth series: Win... (France). Tornado: Potapov/... Flying Dutchman: Hasse/... Soling: Kudrjavtsev/Kanov... Finn: Nesleman (Netherlands)... /Cramoy (France).

YESTERDAY'S R...

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: ... Birmingham City 0.





RACING: WHITBREAD GOLD CUP/DERBY TRIAL FEATURED AT SANDOWN

Diamond Edge ready to sparkle again

By Michael Phillips, Racing Correspondent

More often than not this is Sandown Park's best day of the year and today's meeting should prove no exception. Built around the Whitbread Gold Cup, the fine programme also includes the Guardian Classic Trial which has been won by the last three Derby winners and another group three race, the Westbury Stakes.

This has been a miserable week so far for Fulke Walwyn, who has seen two of his most promising young horses killed at Cheltenham, but I am hopeful that Diamond Edge will contrive to bring a smile back on his face once more by winning the Whitbread Gold Cup.

Diamond Edge will revel in today's fast conditions and has an excellent chance of making his own piece of racing history by becoming the first horse to win this coveted trophy three times. Walwyn has trained the winner of this race six times already so Diamond Edge will not enter the fray short of experienced handling.

When he won the race 12 months ago Diamond Edge beat Father Delaney, Ottery News and Shady Deal, in that order, and the same three horses oppose him today. Father Delaney who was also runner-up in 1980 is only 2lb better off with Diamond Edge and that should not be sufficient to bridge the gap.

Considering that he was all at sea on the heavy ground at Cheltenham, Diamond Edge did not run at all badly in the Gold Cup. But a far better picture of him was gleaned earlier at Newbury when he won the Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup.

In the Hennessy he confirmed his earlier superiority over the recent Ascot winner, Shady Deal, to the tune of nine lengths and 24lb. Greater threats to Diamond Edge on this occasion may come from King Spruce who won the Irish Grand National on Easter Monday, and Whiggie Geo who had the misfortune to run up against Don't Forget in razor-sharp form at Wetherby earlier this month.

Troy, Henbit and Shergar all won the Guardian Classic Trial en route to Epsom and even greater glory, but only time will tell whether today's race is an equally reliable barometer. What is clear is that two of the most interesting runners in the field of eleven — Jalmood and Peacetime — are likely to be much better for the race. The William Hill Futurity third, Jalmood, had a setback earlier this spring and it has been touch and go whether his trainer John Dunlop cold get him ready in time.

Likewise, the promising Peacetime, who finised third in the Houghton Stakes last autumn, is also thought to be backward and in need of the outing. Henry Cecil and Lester Piggott are relying upon Lyphmas who beat another of today's runners Be My Native by half a length in his only race at Newmarket last year. However, a recent workout with the disappointing Queens Home left me with the impression that Lyphmas is either idle or vulnerable.

Zilos did well for one so stoutly bred to beat the subsequent Middle Park Stakes and Greenham Stakes winner Cajun at Newcastle last August and with Bruce Hobbs's horses in such sparkling form he is clearly *one for your short list.*

However, I just prefer Ashended who also did well for one bred the way he is — by Blakeney out of a mare by Charlottown — to finish third to such fast horses as Achieved and Hays in the Champagne Stakes at Doncaster last September. Today's race has been Ashenden's initial target for a long time and if looks are anything to go by he is on course. Ashenden is trained by Barry Hills who could have a field day. He is hopeful that The Noble Player (1.45) can beat Super River in the first race even though he finished behind him at Newmarket last week.

"The stiff five furlong shute at Sandown will suit him down to the ground," Hills said. Likewise he is hopeful that Kind of Hush will turn the tables on Ring The Bell in the Westbury Stakes, especially as he will be meeting him on 2lb better terms than when there was only a neck between them in the Earl of Sefton Stakes at Newmarket ten days ago.

Hills is also more than just hopeful than Motavato, who won the Free Handicap on his first start last season, will make another good beginning by winning the Philip Cornes Trophy at Leicester, at the expense of Cut Throat and Noalto. Motavato looked full of the joys of spring yesterday morning when the former jockey and current television commentator Jimmy Lindley partnered him on the gallops near Lambourn.

Hills told me yesterday that he will decide on Sunday whether or not to run Slightly angerous, his hugely impressive winner of the Fred Darling Stake at Newbury, in the 1,000 Guineas.

Hills have revised their betting on the first classic as follows: 7-2 Play It Safe; 4-1, Slightly Dangerous 11-2 her stable companion, Merlin's Charm, 10-1, Exclusive Order and 14-1, bar those four. They have deleted the long-time winter favourite, Circus Ring from their list, as she has worked indifferently, not only according to our Newmarket Correspondent, George Robinson, but also to the dissatisfaction of her meticulous trainer, Michael Stoute. Perhaps, Circus Ring will be reinstated after her next, all-important gallop at Newmarket this morning, but time alone will tell.

Diamond Edge aiming for his third Whitbread Gold Cup victory at Sandown

STATE OF GOING (official): Beverley: firm; Bangor: good to firm; Kelso: firm; Leicester: firm; Market Rasen: good to firm; Sandown: round good to firm; straight good; chase firm. Monday: Warwick: good to firm; Brighton: firm; Southwell: firm.

Way clear for Green Forest

From Desmond Stoneham

The European classic season opens tomorrow at Longchamp with the Poule d'Essai des Poulains (French 2,000 Guineas) which I expect to be won by Green Forest from Melyno and the Irish challenger Day Is Done. Paul Kelleway sends Telephone Man from Newmarket and this colt will be ridden by Steve Cauthen.

There have been rumours concerning the well being of Green Forest floating around Chantilly for some weeks but they were thoroughly dispelled last Tuesday when Green Forest was put through his paces on the "Les Aigles" gallops. After the impressive workout Mitri Saliba commented "There's not much wrong with him.

Green Forest, who runs in the colours of Mahmoud Fustok, was Europe's top two-year-old in 1981 following brilliant winning performances in the Prix Morny, Prix de la Salemandre and Grand Criterium.

There will be no horse in the field in better condition than Melyno who is owned by Stavros Niarchos, trained by Francois Mathet and will be ridden by Yves Saint-Martin. In the Prix de Fontainebleau, over todays course and distance, Melyno cruised home

Lester Piggott will be on board Day Is Done for Dermot Weld and this combination will prove to be fair competition for the other runners.

POULE D'ESSAI DES POULAINS (Group 1 3-y-o colts: £36,630: 1m)
120- EMPERY CARD 9-2 J L Kessas
22-4 TAMPERO 9-2 M Philipperon
0-10 LISFORT 9-2 G Dubroeucq
02-0 TELEPHONE MAN 9-2 S Cauthen
21-3 DAY IS DONE 9-2 L Piggott
130- ABRAJE 9-2 A Goldsztejn
111- GREEN FOREST 9-2 A Gibert
01-1 MELYNO 9-2 Y Saint-Martin
4-40 ROLLINS 9-2 G Doleuze
32-3 DEAR PATRICK 9-2 S Gorli
-00 BOLONTE DE FER 9-2 P Lagoutte
5-4 Green Forestr, Abraje (Coupled), 5-2 Melyno, 5 Dear Patrick, VolonteDe Fer (Coupled), 7 Day Id Done, 12Tampero.

Piggott makes the headlines

By John Karter, Racing Editor

Keeping Lester Piggott's name out of the sports page headlines is about as easy as keeping the Falkland Islands off the front page. Yesterday when Sandown Park re-opened its doors after a nine months closure for repair work on the bends Piggott rode two winners, was hauled before the stewards for his efforts on the unplaced Another Sam and was confirmed as the rider of the French filly, Play It Safe, the new favourite, for the 1,000 Guineas.

Piggott rode similar races to win the Sunley Sandown Cup on Aperitivo and the Childwick Bury Maiden Fillies Stakes on Vadrouille, bringing both from some way back on the outside to lead well over a furlong from home. He never looked like getting into the argument on Another Sam, however, being towards the rear until they reached the straight and then making steady progress to finish seventh.

The stewards interviewed Richard Hannon, the trainer, and Piggott, who said that Another Sam had dropped himself out and been unable to get into the race early on because of the fast pace. Hannon confirmed that the horse always ran that way, but the stewards chose to "record" the explanation rather than accept it.

It did seem as if the stewards singled Piggott out for interrogation a little unfairly. Nearly all the jockeys were caughy with their silks down by Pat Eddery, who was allowed to open up a huge gap on the winner, John O'Groats, and never appeared likely to be caught.

Henry Ceca, who trained Vadrouille, confirmed after his filly's victory that Sing Softly would not run in the 1,000 Guineas, which left Piggott free to ride Play It Safe. Cecil also said that he would decide after a gallop this morning whether Mr Fluorocarbon would accompany Cajun to post for the 2,000 Guineas.

Incidentally, Henry Candy said yesterday that the one-time favourite, Wind and Wuthering, must be considered a doubtful runner for the 2,000 unless there was rain in the meantime. However, Candy's 1,000 candidate, Time Charter, who is "really bouncing" according to the trainer, was paid a compliment when Dreaming Away, who had finished third to her at Kempton, finished a close third to Vadrouille.

Clive Brittain showed us a potentially top-class filly in Adrana, whose late run, in the hands of Willie Carson, landed her the *Daily Mirror* Punters Club Stakes in the last strides from the pacemaking Reign.

Adrana displaced a stifle on pulling up after the race, but Brittain was swiftly able to repair the damage and she should be able to fulfil the ambitious campaign (possibly including the Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot) that is planned for her.

It was good to see Sandown revive a tradition abandoned some 15 years ago of running a steeplechase on the Friday as well as the Whitbread Gold Cup on the Saturday. The race, the Gold Label Steeplechase, certainly justified its inclusion in the programme by producing perhaps the best finish of the afternoon. News King, who looked like cantering home when he led two fences out, eventually needed every ounce of John Francome's considerable strength to hold off the challenge of Little Bay ridden with equal determination by John O'Neill.

The day ended with a defeat for the 2,000 Guineas outsider, Silly Steven, who was caught close home by French Current in the Tudor Stakes. At 8,000 guineas, French Current was one of Robert Sangster's cheaper purchases. He recorded a fast time and will now run in the Dee Stakes at Chester.

Sandown Park

Tole Double: 2.55 and 4.10. Treble 2.15, 3.35 and 4.40

[Television (ITV) 1.45, 2.15 and 2.55 races.]

1.45 SANDOWN PARK STAKES (2-y-o Maidens: £2,721: 5f) (14 runners)
101 BISHEN (Esal (Commodities) Ltd) G Lewis 9-0 G Sexton 6
102 COMASCAN (G Battochi) R Hannon 9-0 R Wernham 2
103 EASY STAR (F Chau) B Hanbury 9-0 B Raymond 4
104 FLYING DISC (Mrs S Crown) A Pitt 9-0 G Starkey 8
107 PRINCE'S HEIR (W Ponsonby) P Cole 9-0 W Carson 1

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Whiggie Geo (10-5), made running, headed 2 out, no extra, 2nd, btn 8l, to Don't Forget (gave 6lb) with Father Delaney (gave 16lb) 2l away 4th, and Earthstopper (gave 14lb) 9th. 10 ran, Wetherby, April 12, 3m 100yd good to firm. Shady Deal (10-3), led 12th, kept on well, won 6l, 4l, from Don't Forget (gave 2lb) and Greenways (rec 3lb). 5 ran, Ascot, April 7, 2m 4f good.
SELECTION: Diamond Edge

3.35 WESTBURY STAKES (16,818: 1¼m) (9)
401 300-2 RING THE BELL (Mrs B Wild) H Cecil 5-9-5 L Piggott 8
402 00130-3 KIND OF HUSH (A Shead) B Hills 4-8-12 S Cauthen 5
403 0111-10 PRINCES GATE (C,D) (H Al-Maktoum) Thomson Jones 5-8-12 G Starkey 6
404 12020-0 BONOL (B) (P Muldoon) M H Easterby 5-8-8 B Raymond 4
405 0301-01 LAFONTAINE (D) (Mrs J Bigg) C Brittain 5-8-8 P Waldron 2
406 124000- SIX MILE BOTTOM (C) (E Moller) H Wragg 4-8-8 P Eddery 3

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608 32 SMALLBOY (P De Bour) L Cumani 9-0 L Piggott 3
609 000330 SPANISH POINT (B) (T Heard) D Sasse 9-0 B Taylor 12
610 00 SPECTRAL (W Gredley) C Brittain 9-0 W Carson 7
611 00000-0 SYLLOGIZER (B) (W Gredley) F Durr 9-0 G Starkey 16
613 TOWER OF STRENGTH (R E A Bott (Wigmore St) Ltd) J Winter 9-0 B Raymond 15
614 24000-0 BOARDMANS STAR (Major J Rubin) R Hannon 8-11 R Wernham 17
615 00000-0 BOODLEBIRD (Boodle's Racing Club) D Whelan 8-11 G Baxter 4
616 000000- CHAMPAGNE DOLLY (H Lamm) P M Taylor 8-11 N Howe 5 2
617 03- CHINOOK (Mrs J Ramos) W Guest 8-11 E Guest 7 10
619 00430-0 MY FAIR ORCHID (Mrs J Matthews) S Matthews 8-11 W Gillingham 7 14
620 NEW FARM LADY (W Lusty) P M Taylor 8-11 D Griffin 7 8
623 00- TIBOUCHINA (A Hall) R Smyly 8-11 P Waldron 5
624 2- ZAYNALA (H H Aga Khan) M Stoute 8-11 R Swinburn 11
7-4 Zaynala, 5-2 Smallboy, 6 Diamond King, 7 Spectral, 10 Spanish Point, 14 Caran D'ache, Tibouchina, 20 others.

Sandown Park selection

1.45 The Noble Player, 2.15 Ashenden, 2.55 Diamond Edge, 3.35 Kind of Hush, 4.10 Hill's Pageant, 4.40 Zaynala.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.45 Super River, 2.15 Lyphmas, 3.35 Ring The Bell, 4.10 Don Giovanni, 4.40 Zaynala.





Saint-Martin takes over on Tender King

The French jockey Yves Saint-Martin will ride Tender King for the Epsom trainer John Sutcliffe in the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket next Saturday.

Sutcliffe has sacked Tender King's regular partner Philip Waldron because he is unhappy about the way the horse has been ridden this year. "I have nothing against him personally," Sutcliffe said, "but I was not very happy about Waldron's remarks after the Greenham Stakes at Newbury last weekend, and he will not be riding any more of my horses owned by Esal Commodities."

Waldron finished second on Tender King to Cajun in the Newbury race, and was then quoted as saying that if he had the choice, he would prefer to be on Wind and Wuthering in the classic.

Henry Candy booked Steve Cauthen to ride Wind and Wuthering in the Guineas last weekend and confirmed that he will be sticking to that arrangement.

Leicester

Television (BBC) 1.30, 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0 races

1.30 PHILIP CORNES NICKEL ALLOYS STAKES (2-y-o: £1,830: 5f) (11 runners)

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5 10-00 SILCA STAR KEY H Westbrook 4-8-13 J Mercer
6 2002- CUT THROAT H Candy 4-8-7 Mathias 2
8 0-00 POWERSCOURT (B) J Edmunds 6-8-7 F Robinson
11 00-0 PEPINA (D) M Haynes 6-8-4 Ives 3
13-8 Noalto; 3 Cut Throat, 9-2 Motavato, 10 Silca Star Key, 14 Slenderhagen, 16 Havoc, 25 Powerscourt, Pepina.

FORM: Slenderhagen (9st 4lb), better for race, wknd 1½ out, 5th, btn 10¾l, to Prince's Gate (level), 9 ran, Doncaster, Mar 25, 1m good. Motavato (9-2), pushed along, nvr nearer, 3rd, btn 3l to Mooreslyle (gave 4lb), 7 ran, Newmarket, Oct 15, 7f good. Noalto (8-10), progress 3 out, ran on, not qkn, 4th, btn over 6l, to Kalaglow (level), 8 ran, Newmarket, April 14, 1m 1f, good to firm. Cut Throat (8-6) led 3 out, headed and soon btn, 2nd, btn 7l, to Boathouse (rec 3lb), 5 ran, Goodwood, Sept 11, 1m good.
SELECTION: Motavato

Leicester selections

By Our Racing Correspondent

1.30 Murimini, 2.00 Durun, 2.30 Mocavato, 3.00 Buzzards Bay, 3.30 Leandros, 4.00 Mauritzfontain, 4.30 Take A Card.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 Set, 2.00 Sunny Look, 2.30 Noalto, 3.00 Rekal, 3.30 Blow Your Mind, 4.00 Al Ameen, 4.30 Take A Card.

3.0 MARRIOTT BUILD FAST HANDICAP (£2,767: 1¼m) (13)
1 1102 BUZZARDS BAY H Collingridge 4-10-0 Gunn 1
4 2000- HILLSDOWN GOLD G Huffer 5-9-9 Miller 7
8 000-0 DOCTOR FAUSTUS Mrs J Pitman 4-8-12 A Clark 3
9 3400- ALDENHAM (D) G Balding 4-8-10 Higgins 5
12 020-0 REKAL (CD) C Brittain 4-8-8 Reid 8
13 0230/ STONEHENGE (D) P Burgoyne 5-8-5 Mathias 3
14 200-0 DUSTY ISLES T Marshall 4-8-6 Curant 10
15 2030- MY ANNASSAR M Ryan 4-8-4 Robinson 12
16 0300- ALWAYS EIRLYS N Callaghan 4-8-2 M Thomas 11
18 4013- DOUBLE DISCOUNT (D) C James 4-8-0 Crossley 13
19 00-02 GREATEST HITS (D,B) D Laing 5-7-13 Newnes 2

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28 EVE OF TROY Mrs B Waring
34 000-0 JANLARMAR A Bailey 8-11
36 2020- LAPIROUETTE D Morley 8-11
38 0-0 MISS ACROW D Elsworth 8-11
40 0- MOONBAT M Smyly 8-11
42 NORTHERN REPORT D Kent 8-11
11-8 Mauritzfontain, 4 Dragon Fire, ... 10 Al Ameen, 14 Falcon's Heir, 16 others.

4.30 REDMILE STAKES (Div II: 3-y-o: £1,467: 7f) (16)
1 0- AEROLITE H Cecil 9-0
3 00-0 BEE ALIVE P Walwyn 9-0
7 0 DESERT AIR K Bridgwater
8 200-0 EXCITEMENT D Laing 9-0
12 000- NOIRIO P Cole 9-0
20 40- TAKE A CARD M Stoute 9-0
25 CHICKWEED M Smyly 8-11
30 000-0 FLAVELLS RECORD G Fletcher
31 0-0 HIGHER AND HIGHER D Leslie
32 00-0 INCESTUOUS J Hindley 8-11
43 200-0 NORTHORPE G Huffer 8-11
45 000-4 PERCOL M Haynes 8-11
50 00-00 STEADY THE BUFFS M Masson
52 00- TOWNLEY STONE J Webber
53 030-4 TROOPER SERGEANT M Blanshard
54 0-0 UP TEMPO A Hide 8-11
5-4 Aerolite, 5-2 Take A Card, ... Excitement, 12 Percol, 14 Trooper Sergeant, 20 others.

Kelso NH programme

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6 30-3 MERRY MISSUS 8-10-0 R Lamb
7 fp0 MARIE MOSS 7-10-0 —
Evens Dusky Duke, 3 Old Head, 9-2 Merry Missus, 6 Ellerby Lord.

4.30 TIM DOODY ROAD MARKING STAKES NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£487: 2m)

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Bangor-on-Dee NH programme

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5-4 Lone Soldier, 7-4 Linenfold, 5 Walford Court, 8 Orchard Hero.

4.15 BRYN-Y-PYS CHASE (Handicap: £1,861: 2½m 70yd) (15)
2 000 BELLE OF THE WEST 8-12-5 O'Brien 7
5 402 TRISTRAM SHANDY 8-11-5 —
6 40u ERNEST 10-11-4 Mr Cambidge 4
7 112 THE GO-BOY 8-11-4 C Brown
9 304 STRAIGHT LINE 9-11-0 Scudamore
11 103 MASTER MELODY 11-10-13 Bastard

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14 0p0 HANDY GRAY 10-7 Mr Cambidge 4
15 000 KING'S JUG 10-7 Scudamore
16 000 PRETTY TOUGH 10-7 Clay
17 000 ROCHE GIRL 10-7 Mr Holt 4
18 000 TIM WHISKY 10-7 B R Davies
5-2 Royal Tycoon, 3 Flying Shuttle, 9-2 Crackaway, 5 King's Jug.

BANGOR-ON-DEE SELECTIONS 2.15 Dobson's Choice. 2.45 Brave Jack. 3.15 Coral Leisure. 3.45 Linenfold. 4.15 The Go-Boy. 4.45 Royal Tycoon.

☐ The National Hunt jockey Colin Tinkler could miss the rest of the season after a fall on Jesting Spirit at Catterick on Thursday. Tinkler, aged 28, broke a bone in his right hand and also his little finger.

☐ Phoenix Park will not after all reopen on May 1. The meeting is now transferred to Leopardstown, and the May 5 fixture has been moved to Naas. It is now planned to stage a meeting at the Park on May 19.

Sandown results

2.00 (2.5) CHIPMAN TURF-CARE HANDICAP (£2,691: 1¼m)
JOHN O'GROATS b h by Welsh Pageant—Romany (D Prenn) 5-9-3 P Eddery (12-1) 1
Brigadier Hawk G Baxter (16-1) 2
Dragon Palace B Raymond (10-1) 3
TOTE Win: £1.38, places: 24p, 72p, 29p Dual Forecast: £18.04 CSF £18.75. Tricast: ...

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Little Bay J O'Neill (9-4 jt fav) 2
Gambling Prince J Burke (20-1) 3
TOTE: Win, 24p; places, 15p, 14p. Dual forecast: 50p. CSF: 74p. F Winter, at Lambourn. Hd, 8l. Western Rose (9-4 jt fav) 4th. 6 ran. NR: Spinning Saint.

5.20 (5.25) TUDOR STAKES (3-y-o: £2,880: 1m)
FRENCH CURRENT, b c, by Without Fear — Cap D'Antibes (R Sangster) 8-11 S Cauthen (7-1). 1
Silly Steven P Cook (5-2 fav) 2
St Mawes Bay G Baxter (25-1) 3
TOTE: Win, 88p; places, 19p, 15p, 27p. Dual forecast: £1.17 CSF: £2.44. B Hills, at Lambourn. 3l, 2l. Southern Dancer (11-4) 4th. 11 ran. 1min 41.39sec. NR: My Connoisseur.

TOTE DOUBLE: Aperitivo and Vadrouille, £9.65. TREBLE: Ellerene, Adrana and News King, £47.30. JACKPOT: Not won. Pool: £879.10 carried forward. PLACEPOT: £917.95.

Beverley results

2.30 (2.33) SCARBOROUGH SPA STAKES (Selling: 2-y-o: £922: 5f)
EROS, gr or ro c by Blitany—Sweet Silhouette (W Chapman) 8-11-bl K Leason (5-1) 1
Orange Rose K Darley (7-4) 2
Timothy Hogan J Seagrave (5-4 fav) 3
TOTE: Win: 38p; places, 11p, 10p, 17p. Dual F: 57p. CSF: £1.50. K Ivory at Radlett. ...

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Malcombe Regis R. Street (11-4) 3
TOTE: Win: 35p; places: 28p, 17p. Dual F: £1.75. CSF: £2.79. K. Stone, at Malton. 3l, nk. Naiva (5-2 fav) 4th. 7 ran. NR: Bessie Mary.

5.30 (5.36) LECONFIELD STAKES (Div II: 3-y-o maidens: £1,077: 1m)
FALAKA ch f by Sparkler — Falasse (C Spence) 8-11 G Duffield (100-30) 1
Pablieu E Hide (13-8 fav) 2
Wottle K Darley (4-1) 3
TOTE: Win, 27p; places, 11p, 28p, 24p. Dual F: 60p. CSF: 88p. D Morley, at Bury St Edmunds. ¾l, ¾l. Good Man Friday (8-1) 4th. 11 ran.

PLACEPOT: £112.20.

☐ Ferriby Hall, beaten two short heads in last year's Wokingham Handicap at Royal Ascot, will be in the line-up again on June 18, said his trainer Alf Smith after the tough five-year-old carried ten stone to victory in the Withernsea Handicap at Beverley yesterday.

Beverley

[Television (ITV) 1.30, 2.00 and 2.30 races.]

1.30 WHITBY HANDICAP (£1,819: 1m) (13 runners)
2 00-00 BRETTON PARK S Norton 4-9-13 Lowe 4
4 12-23 BATTALION (D) D Chapman 4-9-7 Nesbitt 5 13

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3 00-00 PITTER PAT (D) T Fairhurst 9-3 Young 3
4 20-31 SWINGING BABY (D) J FitzGerald 9-1 (7 ex) Dwyer 7
5 0-011 COOL WIND (D) J Berry 9-0 (7 ex) Charnock 9
7 0-144 MRS LOVE IT (D) G Lockerbie 8-11 Kelleher 10
12 0300- MAGNANIALA J Etherington 8-3 Seagrave 5
13 4110- WILL GEORGE (D) K Stone 8-2 Lowe 4
14 0100- TRANSONIC (D) J Hardy 8-2 Duffield 12
17 0000- FIRDALE FLYER W Wharton 7-13 McKay 2
18 00-00 BLUE SAPPHIRE T Taylor 7-12 Wood 11
19 00-00 SUPERB SINGER K Ivory 7-11 Leason 1
20 0000- QUICK OFF THE MARK D Chapman 7-7 Nesbitt 5 6
3 Cool Wind, 7-2 Swinging Baby, 9-2 Will George, 11-2 Witch's Point, 6 Mrs Love It, 8 Pitter Pat, 14 Blue Sapphire, 20 others.

Beverley selections

By Our Racing Correspondent

1.30 Batallion, 2.00 Jorge Miguel, 2.30 Able Albert, 3.00 Cough, 3.30 First Mint, 4.00 Swinging Baby.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 Essam, 2.00 Jorge Miguel, 3.30 First Mint.

Market Rasen

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4.45 KESTEVEN CHASE (Novices: £1,194: 2m) (5 runners)
4 0-1 NAMPARA COVE 8-12-0 Rowell
5 113 OUTLAW MAN 8-12-0 Brennan 4
13 0p0 BOSSAL 6-11-7 McCourt
18 04r DEMAREE 6-11-7 H Davies
20 000 GRAFTY GREEN 7-11-7 McLaughlin 4
Evens Nampara Cove, 2 Outlaw Man, 6 Demaree, 10 Grafty Green.

MARKET RASEN SELECTIONS (By Paul Newman): 2.15 Albrizzi. 2.45 Man Alive. 3.15 Sula Bula. 3.45 Every Extra. 4.15 Top Reef. 4.45 Nampara Cove.

Market Rasen results

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Television and radio: Saturday and Sunday

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BBC 1

6.25 Open University: Song of Sixpence; 6.50 Sharing a House; 7.15 Michelangelo: The Last Judgment; 7.40 Potsdam; 8.05 Punjab to Britain; 8.30 Art and Environment; 9.05 Sorry Mate, I Didn't See You: Tips for Motorcyclists (r); 9.30 Get Set for Summer: Spandau Ballet; bird-watching at Slimbridge; and Robinson Crusoe (contd); 10.55 *Film: Duel at Silver Creek (1952) Audie Murphy* helps a sheriff to clean up a terrorised western town. With Faith Domergue, Stephen McNally; 12.15 Grandstand: The line-up is: 12.20 Football Focus. 12.55 Football and the Falklands crisis; 1.05 Boxing; 1.20 Leicester racing; 1.40 Ice Hockey (Sweden v Czechoslovakia and USA v Canada); 1.50 Racing; 2.10 Ice Hockey (contd); 2.20 Racing; 2.40 Motor Racing Preview (from San Marino, Italy); 2.50 Racing; 3.10 Tennis: State Express Classic, from Bournemouth; semi-finals; 3.50 Half-time scores; 3.55 Tennis and Ice Hockey.

4.35 **Grandstand** (continued) Final Scores.
5.10 **The Dukes of Hazzard:** The evil Boss Hogg and his evil nephew versus the Dukes.
6.00 **News:** with Michael Sullivan; 6.10 Sports round-up.
6.15 **Film: The Great Waldo Pepper** (1975) Aerial drama with Robert Redford as the First World War air ace who becomes a stunt man with an air circus. Bo Svenson plays Waldo's German rival. Superb flying sequences. Also starring Susan Sarandon and Margot Kidder.
8.00 *Eurovision Song Contest 1982: The United Kingdom's* tally of "firsts" is four, with ten "seconds". Can Bardo (Sally-Ann Triplett and Stephen Fischer) make it five "firsts" for Britain with their song One Step Further? Live, from Harrogate, with Jan Leeming as MC and Terry Wogan handling the off-screen commentary.

10.15 **News.** And sports round-up.
10.30 **Match of the Day:** First and Second Division highlights, and the Goal of the Month competition.
11.30 **Pearl:** Episode 2 of this three-part serial set in Pearl Harbour before the Japanese attack. Tonight: the Day of Infamy dawns. With Angie Dickinson and Robert Wagner. Ends at 1.00am.

Robert Vaughn: Washington Behind Closed Doors (BBC 2, 8 pm)

BBC 2

6.25 Open University: Immigration Officers; 6.50 Functions, Graphs; 7.15 Maths; 8.05 Electric Money; 8.30 Argument on TV; 8.55 Black English Case; 11.35 Lord Kelvin's Clock; 1.00 Maths; 11.25 Genetics; 11.50 Landing an Aircraft; 12.15 Computer Systems; 12.40 New Bearings for Old; 1.05 Infant Cognition; 1.30 Perceptions; 1.55 Reading Development; 2.20 Question of Assessment; 2.45 Frequency Analysis; 3.10 Film: One More Time (1969) Nightclub owners Sammy Davis Jnr and Peter Lawson get involved with a gang of diamond smugglers. Co-starring Maggie Wright, Leslie Sands and John Wood.

4.40 **International Tennis:** Live coverage of the semi-finals of the State Express Classic. From Bournemouth.
6.00 **Oystermen of the Fal:** Film about the hard-working dredgers of Cornwall.
6.30 **A Right to a Living:** The fishermen of Amble, Northumberland, put their case.
7.00 **News and Sport.**
7.20 **Did You See ...?** Discussed tonight are Central's OI for England; Choices (BBC 1); and Fields of Play (BBC2). Plus Anne Karpf on TV and medicine.
8.00 **Washington: Behind Closed Doors.** Episode 2 of this political thriller, with Jason Robards as the double-dealing President.

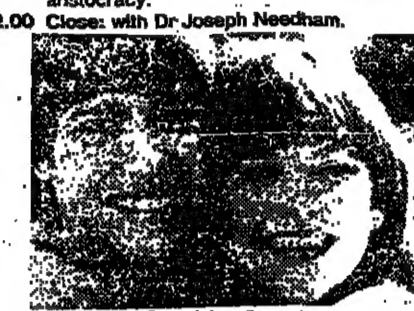
9.35 **International Tennis:** Highlights of today's play in the semi-finals of the State Express Classic.
10.20 **Man Alive: A Loving Thing to Do?** The difficult decisions parents made in the cases of three badly damaged babies. The question posed: is it murder to allow such children to die? Or is it an act of mercy? (r)
11.15 **Film: Journey into Fear*** (1942) Eric Ambler's thriller has Joseph Cotten as the American munitions expert who, after an attempt on his life in Turkey, is urged by the secret police chief (Orson Welles) to get out of the country. Scripted by Welles and Cotten produced by Welles and directed by Norman Foster. Ends at 12.30am.

ITV/LONDON

9.35 Sesame Street: with the Muppets; 10.30 Cartoons; 10.45 The Adventures of Black Beauty: The famous horse is stolen. Can Amy (Charlotte Mitchell) raise the ransom money? (r); 11.15 1999: starring Martin Landau and Barbara Bain (r); 12.15 World of Sport: The line-up is: — 12.20 On the Ball (Ian St John); 12.45 Karting (FSO Cars Supercart Challenge, from Donington) For 6-gear, 250cc machines; 1.00 Cycling: the Paris-Roubaix, across northern France; 1.15 News from ITN; 1.20 The ITV Six: We see (from Beverley), the 1.30, 2.00 and 2.30. And, from Sandown, the 1.45, 2.15 and 2.55 (the Whitbread Gold Cup Handicap Chase, the last major steeplechase of the season); 3.10 Gymnastics: the US versus the Soviet Union. From Gainsville, Florida. And, from Moscow, Modern Rhythmic Gymnastics (The Soviet Woman Prize); 3.45 Half-time results.

4.00 **World of Sport.** Wrestling from Bolton. Two heavyweight contests and one catchweight;
4.50 **Results.** And full Pools check.
5.05 **News from ITN.**
5.15 **Worzel Gummidge:** The scarecrow (Jon Pertwee) goes shopping but ends up as a popular exhibit at a department store (r).
5.45 **Buck Rogers in the 25th Century:** A strange creature, half man, half bird, threatens to let loose a wave of destruction.
6.45 **3-2-1:** Fun and games, with Ted Rogers as the MC. The theme tonight is cabaret. The guests include the singing trio called Sweet Substitute.
7.45 **Film: Rollercoaster** (1977) Thriller about a threat to blow up an amusement park. George Segal and Richard Widmark play FBI agents. Also starring Timothy Bottoms, Susan Strasburg, Henry Fonda.

9.55 **News and Sport** round-up.
10.25 **A Change in Time:** Drama (see Choice).
11.40 **London news.** Followed by: **Bizarre:** American-made comedy series.
12.10 **Film: The Twist** (1976) Claude Chabrol's comedy has Bruce Dern as the American TV writer who marries into the French aristocracy.
02.00 **Close:** With Dr Joseph Needham.



Bardo: Eurovision Song Contest (BBC 1, 8 pm)

CHOICE

● A CHANGE IN TIME (tonight, ITV, 10.25) is an astonishingly accomplished first play by Grazyna Monvid. It is painfully realistic, thanks largely to the two central performances by Malcolm Storry as the doomed husband and Marjorie Yates as the resilient wife. In essence, this is a drama about a factory shop steward, dying from the brain tumour that is violently turning his personality inside out. But the author comes up with a resolution that lifts the play high above the morbidness of impending death. In this respect, (though not in its social context, which is very strong in tonight's play), it *resembles Thomas Ellice's BBC TV* play Going Gently which, you cannot have forgotten, was about two hospital cancer patients, dying anything but passively.

● Another two Orson Welles films this weekend, both startling in their different ways, though not, of course, to be compared with last weekend's Citizen Kane and The Magnificent Ambersons. JOURNEY INTO FEAR (tonight, BBC 2, 11.15) was not, in fact, directed by Welles, though his finger-prints can be seen all over it (not surprising, perhaps, as Welles directed his own scenes, produced the film, and part-wrote it and plays — or rather, overplays — the Turkish police chief). THE STRANGER (tomorrow, BBC 2, 10.30pm) has nobody's hand on the director's tiller than Welles's, although it is principally for Russell Metty's atmospheric photography that the film was praised in 1946, and for which it can still be enjoyed in 1982.

● Radio choices for the weekend: *The return of EARTHSEARCH* (tomorrow, Radio 4, noon), superior space fiction because it depends less on galactic whooshing and beeping from the sound effects men than on human relationships. The first episode has the former crew of the starship Challenger making the best of life on the planet Paradise which, by the end of the episode, is much more like Hell ... The Delme String Quartet plays Hadyn's quartets Op 55 No 3, and Op 71, No 3 (today, Radio 3, 12 noon) ... And there is the final of the Young Musician of the Year (tomorrow, stereo, Radio 4 at 7.45 and on BBC 1 at the same time). Each of the four finalists plays a concerto. Even without the competitive element, this would make a satisfying concert.



Marjorie Yates (tonight, ITV, 10.25 pm)

Radio 4

6.30 News.
6.32 Farming Today.
6.50 Yours Faithfully.
6.55 Weather and Travel.
7.00 News.
7.10 Today's Papers.
7.15 On Your Farm.
7.45 Yours Faithfully.
7.50 *It's a Bargain.*
7.55 Weather and Travel.
8.00 News.
8.10 Today's Papers.
8.15 Sport on 4.
8.48 Yesterday in Parliament.
8.57 Weather and Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 Breakaway from Glasgow.
9.50 News Stand
10.05 The Week in Westminster.
10.30 Daily Service. †
10.45 Pick of the Week. †
11.35 From Our Own Correspondent.
12.00 News.
12.02 Money Box.
12.27 I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue. †
12.55 Weather and Programme News.
1.00 News.
1.10 Any Questions ?
2.00 News.
2.05 Play "No Joke" by Bernhard MacLaverty. †
2.35 Medicine Now. A report on the world of medical care.
3.05 Wildlife. Listeners' Questions.
3.30 The British Seafarer. A history in 26 parts (15). †
4.15 The Dragon and the Bear. Philip Short contrasts life in China and the Soviet Union (4).
4.30 *Does He Take Sugar?.*
5.00 Peter as Pilgrim. †
5.25 Week Ending. A Satirical look at the past week's news. †
5.55 Weather and Travel.
6.00 News and Sports Round-up.
6.15 Desert Island Discs. Castaway: Scottish novelist, Dorothy Dunnett. †
6.55 Stop the Week with Robert Robinson. †
7.35 Baker's Dozen.
8.30 Saturday-Night Theatre. "Murder in a Nice Neighbourhood" by Jack Gerson.
9.58 Weather.
10.00 News.
10.15 Something to Declare. Travellers' tales (last in series) Bernard Jackson visits Lamu Island, off the east coast of Africa.
11.00 Lighten our Darkness. †
11.15 Stop the Week (as at 6.55).
12.00 News and Weather.
ENGLAND. VHF — with if above except as follows: 6.25-6.30 Weather and Travel. 1.55-2.00 Programme News. 5.50-5.55 Programme News.

Radio 3

7.55 Weather.
8.00 News.
8.05 Aubade Pachelbel, Bach, Paul Patterson, Tippett; records. The Pachelbel work is the popular Canon and Gigue. The Tippett work is Ritual Dances from The Midsummer Marriage †
9.00 News.
9.05 Record Review.†
10.15 Stereo Release New records: Beethoven, Greig, Beethoven. The Beethoven works are the Piano Sonata in F minor, op 57 (Appassionata) played by Ashkenazy; and the Variations and Fugue in E flat on a theme from Prometheus (Emil Gilels, piano).†
11.30 Bandstand CWS (Manchester) Band: Leighton Lucas, Robert Ely, *Gordon Langford.†*
12.00 Haydn String Quartets Recital, direct from the Concert Hall, Broadcasting House, London.†
1.00 News.
1.05 Early Music Forum.†
2.00 The Symphonies of Mahler Beethoven, Mahler (including Symphony No. 1, original version), Weber; records.†
4.15 Images of Debussy Talk illustrated with records.†
5.00 Jazz Record Requests.†
5.45 Critic's Forum. Anthony Curtis is today's chairman.
6.35 Benjamin Kaplan Piano recital: Cyril Scott, Philip Cannon, Franz Schmidt.†
7.25 The Devil You Don't Know. "Goethe, Jung, Faust and Alchemy" — a talk by Stephen Abrams.
7.45 Hymenaeusg Opera in three acts by Handel. Act 1.†
8.45 Interval Reading.
8.50 Hymenaeus, Act 2.
9.35 Interval Reading.
9.40 Hymenaeus, Act 3.
10.40 Herpes Simplex. A short story by Nicholas Burbridge.
11.00 News.
11.05 Max Bruch on record.†
VHF ONLY — OPEN UNIVERSITY: 5.55 Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. 6.15 Industrial Relations. 6.35 Decision-Making in Britain. 6.55 Understanding Stress and Strain. 7.15 Uses and Abuses of Definition. 7.35 Energy Accounting. 11.20 Open Forum. 11.40 Maths-Finite Difference Methods. 12.00 Cadences (2). 12.20-12.40 Mechanics and Applied Calculus

Radio 2

5.00am Tony Brandon † 8.05 David Jacobs † 10.00 Don McLean † 11.03 Steve Jones † 1.00 The New Huddlines 1.30 Sport on 2; Football; Racing; Tennis: 6.00 Country Greats in Concert 7.00 Jazz Score 7.30 Big Band Special † 8.00 Eurovision Song Contest † 10.00 Nordring 81 † 11.10 Pete Murray † 2.00-5.00am You and the Night and the Music †

Radio 1

5.00 As Radio 2 7.00 Wake up to the Wekend 8.00 Tony Blackburn 10.00 Paul Burnett 1.00pm Adrian Juste † 2.00 A King in New York † 2.05 Paul Gambaccini † 4.00 Waalters' Weekly † 5.00 Rock On † 6.30 In Concert † 7.30 Close VHF Radios 1 and 2 5.00am With Radio 2 1.00pm With Radio 1 7.30-5.00 With Radio 2

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GRANADA

As London except: Starts 9.25 am Flying Kiwi. 9.50 The Undersea Adventures of Captain Nemo. 9.55 Sport Billy. 10.15-11.15 Sesame Street. 5.45-6.45 Chips. 11.25 Superstar Profile: Alan Alda. 11.50 Film: Mephisto Waltz (Kurt Jurgens and Alan Alda). 1.45 am Closedown.

SCOTTISH

As London except: Starts 9.20am Vicky The Viking. 9.4 Thunderbirds. 10.35-12.15pm Film: Dr Strangelove* (Peter Sellers, George C Scott). Stanley Kubrick comedy about the end of the world. 5.45-6.45 Chips. 11.25 Bizarre. 11.55 Late Call. 12.00 That's Hollywood. 12.25am Closedown.

HTV WEST

As London except: Starts 9.55am Adventures of Black Beauty. 10.20 Sesame Street. 11.20 Space 1999. 12.13pm12.15 News. 5.45-6.45 Hawaii Five-O. 11.25 Palace Presents: Rita Moreno. 12.25am Closedown.

HTV CYMRU/WALES

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BORDER

As London except: Starts 9.40am Untamed World. 10.05 Tarzan. 10.55-11.15 Adventures of Black Beauty. 5.45pm Chips. 11.25 Streets of San Francisco. 12.20pm Closedown.

GRAMPIAN

As London except: Starts 9.35am Spiderman. 10.00 Tarzan. 10.50-11.15 Welcome Back Kotter. 5.45pm-6.45 Chips. 11.25 Reflections. 11.30 Film: "Death Policy" whirlwind romance turns into a nightmare marriage. 12.45am Closedown.

ULSTER

As London except: Starts 10.00am Sesame Street. 11.00 Flying Kiwi. 11.25-12.15 Thunderbirds. 5.00-5.05 Sports Results. 5.45-6.45 Chips. 11.25 Irish Cup Final. 12.10am News, Closedown.

CENTRAL

As London except: Starts 9.15 am 3-2-1 *Contact. 9.45 Sesame Street.* 10.45 Stingray. 11.15 Off the Record: Depeche Mode. 11.45-12.15 pm International Bowls. 5.45-6.45 Chips. 11.25 Bizarre. 11.55 Vivian Reed in Concert. 12.25 am Closedown.

TYNE TEES

As London except: Starts 9.00 Story Hour. 9.55 Cartoon. 10.05 Joe 90. 10.30 Film: Captain Sinbad (Guy Williams): Sinbad saves a princess. 12.13pm-12 15 News. 5.15 News. 5.17 Worzel Gummidge. 5.45-6.45 Chips. 11.25 Monte Carlo with Anthony Newley. 12.20am Three's Company. 12.30 Closedown.

CHANNEL

As London except: Starts 12.15pm World of Sport. 5.15 Puffin's Pla(i)ce. 5.20 WKRP in Cincinnati. 5.45 Sale of the Century. 6.15 Mr Merlin. 11.35 Bizarre. 11.55 Video Sounds: Wunchong and Private Lives. 12.25am Closedown.

ANGLIA

As London except: Starts 9.00am Sesame Street. 10.00 Sport Billy. 10.25 Thunderbirds. 11.20-12.15 Tarzan. 5.45-6.45 Chips. 11.25 Vegas. 12.20am At the End of the Day Closedown.

TSW

As London except: Starts 9.05am Wheelie and the Chopper. 9.30 Saturday Show. 10.30 Incredible Hulk. 11.20 Sport Billy. 11.45 Adventures of Black Beauty. 12.12pm-12.15 News. 5.15 Newsport. 5.20 WKRP in Cincinnati. 5.45 Sale of the Century. 6.15-6.45 Mr Merlin. 11.25 Bizarre. 11.55 Video Sounds: 'Wunchong and Private Lives' 12.25 Postcript. 12.31 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

As London except: Starts 9.00 am Here's Boomer. 9.20 Thunderbirds. 10.10 Adventures of Black Beauty. 10.35-12.15 Film: King Solomon's Mines (Stewart Granger, Deborah Kerr). Rider Haggard's story of a search for *fabulous treasure.* 5.45-6.45 Incredible Hulk. 11.25 Bizarre. 11.55 That's Hollywood. 12.15 am Closedown.

BBC 1

6.25 Open University: Bauhaus at Weimar; 6.50 Roaring Silence; 7.15 Dial-a-Bus; 8.30 Micro-economics; 9.00 Trumpton; 9.15 Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan; 9.45 The Supervisors; Industry and commerce; 10.10 Micros in the Classroom; 10.35 The Engineer: Derek Sugden (r); 11.00 The Skill of Lip-Reading (r); 11.25 Ensemble: French course, final lesson; 11.50 Delia Smith's Cookery Course: pâtés and first courses (r); 12.15 This is the Day: worshipping at home. The theme is suffering; 12.55 Farming; 1.25 Education Shop: choosing a school (r); 1.50 News headlines; 1.55 Film: Flame of the Barbary Coast* (1944). Period drama, set in San Francisco, with John Wayne as the cattleman owed money by a gambling house owner (Joseph Schildkraut). Ann Dvorak has the title role; 3.25 Tom and Jerry cartoon; 3.40 The High Chaparral: old Western series.

4.30 **Buskers: In the Street.** The purveyors of al fresco entertainment in the streets of London — legal and otherwise. First film in a series of two.
4.55 **The Onedin Line:** Episode seven (of nine) of this drama serial about the days of sail; 5.45 News.
6.00 **Antiques Roadshow:** Arthur Negus and Hugh Scully in Leamington Spa.
6.40 **Songs of Praise:** from Billericay in Essex. Includes rock groups from local RC and Anglican churches, and a youthful brass band.
7.15 **Open All Hours:** Last in this comedy series with Ronnie Barker as the small shopkeeper. Tonight, he decides it is time to change his image.
7.45 **Young Musician of the Year 1982:** The final, with four competitors — piano, string, wind and brass. All play a concerto with the BBC Northern Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Bryden Thomson.

9.45 **News.** And weather forecast.
10.00 *The Sky at Night: The Unfolding Universe.* Twenty-five years after he first presented this programme, Patrick Moore visits some of the world's greatest observatories in a special celebratory edition. It looks forward to the Space Telescope, due to be launched in 1985, shortly before the return of Halley's Comet.
10.50 **Choices:** Members of the studio audience recount their personal dilemmas which are then commented on by Rabbi Hugo Gryn, the Rev Kenneth Greet and Erin Pizzey. In the chair: Libby Purves.
11.25 **Your Mind in Their Hands:** How the National Health Service copes with mental illness. First in a new series of eight films. Tonight: the problem of anxiety. Why four people with serious phobias had to seek specialist treatment.
11.50 **International Tennis:** Highlights from today's final of the State Express Classic, from West Hants Club in Bournemouth.
12.30 **Weather forecast.**

BBC 2

6.25 Open University: Frequency Space; 6.50 Design (Assembly of Lorries); 7.15 Zone Fossils; 7.40 Chemistry; 8.05 Enzymes; 8.30 Light: In Search of a Model; 8.55 Brian's Britain; 9.20 Maths; Convergance; 9.45 Participation in Re-housing; 10.10 Materials Processing: metal; 10.35 Nuclear Power USA; 11.00 Power Plants of the Cell; 11.25 Computing in Electronics; 11.50 Waves; 12.15 Wolverton for Pride; 12.40 Cells and Organisms; 1.05 Cyanide; 1.30 Juggling with Physics; 1.55 International Tennis: Singles final of the State Express Classics, from Bournemouth. Highlights on BBC1 tonight at 11.50.

4.10 **Don't:** Butterfly magic in New York (r).
4.30 *Backstage:* An anatomy of The Crucible, Sheffield.
5.00 **Rugby Special:** Highlights of yesterday's *Cardiff v Bridgend* clash.
6.00 **News Review:** with sub-titles.
6.30 **The Money Programme:** Scene-setters for next Sunday's launching of The Mail on Sunday.
7.15 **The World About Us: *Etosha* — the Place of Dry Water.** The cycle of life and death in the Namibian national park (r).
8.10 **The Woman in White:** Episode two of Ray Jenkin's adaptation of the Wilkie Collins romantic thriller. We get our first view of the late Alan Badel's evil Count Fosco.

9.05 **Grand Prix: The San Marino Grand Prix.**
9.45 **The Much-Loved Music Show:** Owain Arwel Hughes conducts the London Symphony Orchestra. The guest is the singer Marie McLaughlin. We hear music by Berlioz, Mendelssohn, Mozart, Prokofiev and Verdi.
10.30 **Film: The Stranger*** (1946). The Orson Welles movie season continues with this characteristic thriller set in a small village in Connecticut. *Edward G Robinson* plays the war crimes commissioner on the trail of a Nazi war criminal. The pursuit eventually brings him into frightening conflict with the real villain of the piece (Welles). The clock tower finale is tremendous. Co-starring Loretta Young. Ends at 12.10

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9.05 Me and My Camera: sports pictures with Sunday Times photographer Chris Smith (r); 9.35 Lost Islands: Pacific Islands drama serial (r); 10.0 Morning Worship: from St Nicholas Church, Nottingham; 11.00 Link: Puppets and the handicapped; and canal holidays for the disabled; 11.30 Sport Billy: cartoon; 12.00 Weekend World: The Falkland crisis: can war be averted? 1.00 The Flying Kiwi: A New Zealand family and their vintage car; 1.30 Skin: The blacks who confess to crimes they did not commit. Some of them are interviewed; 2.00 Police 5: with Shaw Taylor; 2.15 Cartoon; 2.30 London news and The Big Match: Action from yesterday's League games; 3.30 Chips: There is an attempt to murder Sergeant Getraer (Robert Pine) of the highway police.

4.30 **University Challenge:** general knowledge quiz.
5.00 **Arthur C Clarke's Mysterious World: Monsters of the Deep.** Encounters with the Great Sea Serpent (r).
5.30 **Sale of the Century:** Prize quiz, hosted by Nicholas Parsons.
6.00 **Credo: A Psychical Centenary.** An inquiry into the paranormal, marking the founding of the Society of Psychical Research 100 years ago.
6.40 **Appeal:** by Sir Steuart Pringle, on behalf of the British Limbless Ex-Servicemen's Association.
6.45 **Sing to the Lord:** Religious music and words. With the soprano Janet Price, and Clifford Evans. From Wales.
7.15 **House Calls:** hospital comedy series. Visitors for the "dying" Amos (David Wayne). With Lynn Redgrave.
7.45 **Hart to Hart:** The fantasy world of a strange woman. With Robert Wagner, Stefanie Powers. 8.45 News from ITN.

9.00 **A Kind of Loving:** Episode four of Stan Barstow's serialization of his novel about an unhappy *love affair in the 1950s. Tonight:* Vic and the pregnant Ingrid marry and go to live with Ingrid's parents. The experiences drive Vic (Clive Wood) to drink. Joanne Whalley plays Ingrid, Clare Kelly her disapproving mother.
10.00 **Tales of the Unexpected.** Return of the popular series with a twist in the tale. Toyah Willcox and Ralph Bates star in Blue Marigold.
10.30 **The South Bank Show:** A double-decker edition. Part one is jazz musician Ian Carr's tribute to the American jazz composer and trumpeter Miles Davis who has been a semi-recluse for the past few years. Part two is Melvyn Bragg's interview with the novelist and poet Robert Nye, about his new book The Voyage of Destiny.
11.30 **News of London.** Followed by:— **Rock Concert.** With The Eagles, Linda Ronstadt and Jackson Browne.
12.30 **Close:** With Dr Joseph Needham.

Radio 4

6.30 Morning has Broken.
6.55 Weather and Travel.
7.00 News.
7.10 Sunday Papers.
7.15 Apna Hi Ghar Samajhiye.
7.45 Bells.
7.50 The Shape of God.
7.55 Weather; *Travel; Programme* News.
8.00 News.
8.15 Sunday.
8.50 Week's Good Cause. Frankie Howerd appeals on behalf of the Sir Winston Churchill Schools for the Deaf.
8.55 Weather and Travel.
9.00 News.
9.15 Letter from America.
9.30 Morning Service from St. Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh.
10.15 The Archers.
11.15 Weekend Featuring Lord Gowrie — Minister of State for *Northern Ireland.*
12.00 Earthsearch II (new series) A 10 part adventure serial in space and time (1).
12.30 The Food Programme.
12.55 Weather and Programme News.
1.00 The World This Weekend.
2.00 News.
2.02 Gardeners' Question Time visits Hereford.
2.30 Play: "Immortal Bite" by Malcolm Quantrill.
3.45 Inverewe — Garden in Springtime. Professor Alan Gemmall visits an exciting garden in Scotland's extreme *west coast.*
4.00 News.
4.02 Origins. In the last of four programmes, recent research casts new light on "the domestic scene" — homes and home life in the ancient world.
4.30 The Living World. "Highland Spring" — the mountain country in north-east Scotland.
5.00 News and Travel.
5.05 Down Our Way visits Dumfries in Scotland.
5.55 Weather and Programme News.
6.00 News.
6.15 You the Jury.
7.00 Travel and Programme News.
7.02 The Other Side of Silence The novel by Ted Allbeury dramatized in eight parts (4).†
7.30 Mary Lavin — the Irish short story writer in conversation with Frank Delaney.
7.45 *Young Musician of the Year* 1982. The final, featuring four young instrumentalists (A simultaneous broadcast with BBC 1)
9.45 Letter from Bethesda.
9.58 Weather.
10.00 News.
10.15 Odyssey: Poets and Pioneers.
11.00 Gates of Heaven. H. Colin Davis visits Molls, Somerset.
11.15 Inside Parliament.
12.00 News and Weather.
ENGLAND: VHF — with if above except: 6.55-755 am Open University: 6.55.

Radio 3

7.55 Weather.
8.00 News.
8.05 Schnabel's Schubert. Records.
9.00 News.
9.05 Your Concert Choice Record requests: Ireland, Beethoven, Berlioz.
10.30 Music Weekly.†
11.20 Cleveland Orchestra: Concert, recorded in Severance Hall, Cleveland. Part 1: Mozart, Rodrigo, Bizet.
12.05 Words. Talk by Janet Adam *Smith (1).*
12.10 Concert (s) Part 2: Ned Rorem, Ibert.
1.00 Mozart and Britten: Violin and Piano recital.
2.00 Walton and Elgar: BBC Northern Symphony Orchestra concert.
3.05 Piano Music Recital: Debussy, Percy Grainger, Falla.
3.45 Shostakovich String Quartet Recital by Shostakovich Quartet: Shostakovich, Beethoven.
4.50 And of your Etcetera. A short story by Aileen Ireland.
5.10 Elisabeth Soderstrom Song recital. Part 1: Copland, Kilpinen, arr. Canteloube.
5.45 Livings. Poetry readings on the theme of "Farmers".
6.05 Elisabeth Soderstrom Part 2: Mendelssohn, Schumann, Rangstrom, Rachmaninov.
7.00 Kate of Heilbronn ("Das Kathchen von Heilbronn") Play by Heinrich von Kleist, translated by Peter Tegel, with music by David Cain.
9.00 Mozart and Beethoven Deferred relay of this evening's concert in the Royal Festival Hall, London. Part 1: Mozart, Beethoven.
10.00 Gaston Chevrolet and the Great Race. Short story by William Saroyan.
10.15 Concert Part 2: Mozart.
11.00 News.
11.05 Three Georgian Glees Samuel Webbe Sr, Samuel Arnold, Samuel Webbe Jr.
VHF ONLY — OPEN UNIVERSITY: 5.55am Control of Education 6.15 Clothing and Class 6.35 Positivism and the Micro World 6.55 Concepts of Childhood 7.15 Class and Citizenship 7.35-7.55 Beyond Electric Money 11.20pm Deputy Heads: The Case for Specialism 11.40 Augustus and the Nobles 12.00 First Order Response 12.20am Schooling and Society 12.40-1.0 History of Mathematics.

Radio 2

5.00 am Tony Brandon.† 7.30 Nick Page.† 9.00 David Jacobs.† 11.00 Two's Best.† 12.00 Desmond Carrington.† 1.30 pm The Random Jottings of Hinge and Bracket.† 2.00 Benny Green. 3.05 Alan Dell.† 4.00 Sing Something Simple.† 4.35 String Sound.† 5.00 Comedy Classics: "The Navy Lark". 5.30 Charlie Chester. 6.30 Strictly Instrumental. 7.00 Let's Get Together. 7.30 Glamorous Nights. 8.30 Sunday Half-Hour. 9.00 Your 100 Best Tunes. 10.00 Pop Over Europe. 11.06 Pete Murray.† 2.00-5.00 am You and the Night and the Music.†

Radio 1

8.00 am Tony Blackburn. 10.00 Rosko. 12.30 pm Jimmy Savile. 2.30 Studio B15. 4.00 Paul Gambaccini. 5.00 Top 40.† 7.00 The Record Producers.† 8.00 Sounds of Jazz.† 10.00 Close. VHF Radios 1 and 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2. 5.00 pm With radio 1. 10.00-5.00 With Radio 2.

World Service

BBC World Service can be received in Western Europe on medium wave (648 kHz 463m) at the following times GMT:— 6.00 Newsdesk. 6.30 Jazz for the Asking. 7.00 World News. 7.09 News about Britain 7.15 From our Own Correspondent. 7.30 Sarah and Company. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 The Pleasure's Yours. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 People and Politics. 9.45 Sports Review. 10.15 The Art of Julian Bream. 10.30 Sunday Service. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News about Britain. 11.15 Letter about America. 11.30 Play of the Week. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Commentary. 1.15 Good Books. 1.30 Short Story. 1.45 The Tony Myatt Request Show. 2.30 It makes Me Laugh. 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 Concert Hall. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary 4.15 From our Own Correspondent. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Commentary. 8.15 Letterbox. 8.30 Sunday Half-Hour. 9.00 The Poem Itself 9.15 The Pleasure's Yours. 10.00 World News. 10.09 Science in Action. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sportscall. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Letter from America. 11.30 Conductor's Gallery. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Religious Service. 1.00 The Art of Julian Bream. 1.15 The Fitness Cult. 1.45 Two's Company 2.00 World News 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.30 Music Now. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News about Britain. 3.15 Letters from Everywhere. 3.30 Anything Goes. 4.45 Words. 4.50 Paperback Choice. 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary. 5.45 The Poem Itself.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC 1

BBC Cymru/Wales: 8.55-9.50 Yr Awr Fawr. 9.50-10.5 Bys a Bawd. 10.5-10.35 Nai Zindagi, Naya Jeevan. 1.55-2.20 The Computer Programme (5). 2.20-3.20 Great Railway Journeys of the World. 'Deccan': Brian Thompson boards the 85 Down Madras Mail. 3.20-4.30 Sports Line-up: Rugby Union: The Schweppes Cup Final, Cardiff v Bridgend. 11.25-11.50 Conference Report. (Welsh Liberal Party). 12.30-12.55 Your Mind in Their Hands. 12.55 News of Wales. Scotland: 1.25-1.50 Agenda. 10.50-11.25 Voyager. 12.30 Scottish news summary. Northern Ireland: 12.55-1.0 Interval. 1.0-1.25 Farm-View. 12.30 Northern Ireland news headlines. England: 12.35 Close.

FALKLANDS CRISIS: Because the ITN News at Ten has been extended by a quarter of an hour, programmes after 10.45 pm will be screened 15 minutes later than stated. In some cases, programmes scheduled for after 10.45 have been dropped.

YORKSHIRE

As London except: Starts 9.00 am Link. 9.25 Gardening Time. 9.55-10.00 Bubbles. 11.00 Me and My Camera. 11.30-12.00 Farming Diary. 1.00 pm University Challenge. 1.30 Calendar. 2.00 Fantastic Four. 2.30 Big Game. 3.30 Arthur C Clarke's Mysterious World. 4.00-5.30 Film: Mister Jerico (Patick Macnee) conman tries to sell his unscrupulous rival a priceless diamond. 7.15-7.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 11.30 Five Minutes. 11.35 Lifeline. 12.30 am Closedown.

CHANNEL

As London except: Starts 2.10-2.30 Gardens for All. 3.30 Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World. 4.00 Film: Forbidden Knowledge (Angie Dickinson). Sniper tries to persuade a syndicate to hand over a contract. 5.30-6.00 Gambit. 7.15 Diff'rent Strokes. 7.45-8.45 Hawaii Five-O. 11.30 Great Depression.

TYNE TEES

As London except: Starts 9.00 Link. 9.30-10.00 Me and My Camera. 11.00 Lookaround. 11.02 Sport Billy. 11.30 Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World. 11.58-12.00 News. 1.00 University Challenge. 1.30 Farming Outlook. 2.00 Welcome Back, Kotter. 2.30 Shoot. 3.30 News. 3.32 Charlie's Angels. 4.30-5.30 Little House on the Prairie. 7.15-7.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 11.30 Then Came Bronson. 12.30 Sunderland Singers. 12.35 Closedown

HTV

As London except: Starts 9.00-10.00 Sesame Street. 11.30-12.00 Me and My Camera. 1.00 University Challenge. 1.30 West Country Farming. 2.00-2.30 Arthur C. Clarke's mysterious world. 3.30-5.30 Film: Beau Brummell. 7.15-7.45 Two of Us. 11.30 Bizarre. 12.00 Closedown.

GRANADA

As London except: Starts 9.30 am-10.00 Paint Along With Nancy. 11.00 Me and My Camera. 11.25 Aap Kaa Hak. 11.30-12.00 This is Your Right. 1.00 pm University Challenge. 1.30 Chopper One. 1.55 Match Time. 3.00 Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World. 3.30-5.30 Film: Jesse James (Tyrone Power, Henry Fonda). Story of an Outlaw. 7.15-7.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 11.30 Lifeline. 12.30 am Closedown.

BORDER

As London except: Starts 9.30 am-10.00 Me and My Camera. 11.30-12.00 Gardening Time. 1.00 pm History of the Motor Car. 1.30 Farming Outlook. 2.00-2.30 Wild, Wild World of Animals. 3.30 Border Diary. 3.35-5.00 Film: Dangerous Mission (Victor Mature) Salesgirl flees after witnessing a gangland murder. 7.15-7.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 11.30 Closedown.

SCOTTISH

As London except: 9.05 am Me and My Camera. 9.30 Credo. 10.00-11.00 Sesame Street. 11.30-12.00 About Gaelic. 1.00 pm Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World. 1.30 Farming Outlook. 2.00 Dinah Saur Show. 2.15 University Challenge. 2.45 Glen Michael Cavalcade. 3.30 Incredible Hulk. 4.30-5.30 Scotsport. 6.00-6.30 Into the Eighties. 11.30 Late Call. 11.35 New Avengers. 12.30 am Closedown.

TVS

As London except: Starts 9.30-10.00 Mr and My Camera. 11.30-12-00 Stingray. 1.00 Survival. 1.30 Farming Diary. 2.00 University Challenge. 2.30 Sunday Sportshow. 4.25 Jangles. 4.55-5.00 News. 5.30-6.00 Gambit. 7.15-7.45 Private Benjamin. 11.30 News. 11.35 Nero Wolfe. 12.30 Company, followed by Closedown.

ULSTER

As London except: Starts 11.00 am Me and My Camera. 11.30-12.00 Gardening Time. 12.58 pm News. 1.00 University Challenge. 1.30 Build Your Own Boat. 2.00-2.30 Farming Ulster. 3.30 Little House on the Prairie. 4.30-5.00 Survival. 7.15-7.45 Private Benjamin. 11.30 Sports Results. 11.35 News at Bedtime, Closedown.

ANGLIA

As London except: Starts 9.30 am-10.00 Paint Along With Nancy. 11.30-12.00 Me and My Camera. 1.00 pm University Challenge. 1.30 Weather. 1.35 Farming Diary. 2.05 Cartoon. 2.30 Match of the Week. 3.30 Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World. 4.00 Mork and Mindy. 4.30-5.30 Incredible Hulk. 7.15-7.45 Two of Us. 11.30 Barney Miller. 12.00 Living and Growing. 12.30 am Patrick on the Popes, Closedown.

GRAMPIAN

9.05am About Gaelic 9.30 Me and My Camera. 10.00 Full Life: John Osborne. 10.30-11.00 Greatest Thinkers: Jesus. 11.30-12.00 Gardening Time. 1.00 pm University Challenge. 1.30 Farming Outlook. 2.00 Unaccustomed As I Am . . . 3.00 Adventures of Black Beauty. 3.30 Arthur C. Clark's Mysterious World. 4.00 Golfing Greats: Tony Jacklin. 4.30-5.30 Scotsport. 7.15-7.45 Benson. 11.30 Danger UXB. 12.30 am Reflections. 12.35 Closedown.

TSW

9.25 am Sunday First. 9.30-10.00 Link. 11.00 Me and My Camera. 11.30-12.00 South West Week. 1.00 pm University Challenge. 1.30 Farming News. 2.00 Fisheries News. 2.10-2.30 Gardens For All. 3.30 Arthur C *Clarke's Mysterious World.* 4.00 Film: Forbidden Knowledge (Angie Dickinson) A sniper tries to persuade a syndicate to hand over a contract. 5.30-6.00 Gambit. 7.15 Diff'rent Strokes. 7.45-8.45 Hawaii Five-O. 11.30 Great Depression. 12.30 am Postscript. 12.38 Closedown.



Captain J. J. Walter in Buskers (BBC 1, 4.30 pm)





Miles Davis: The South Bank Show (ITV, 10.30 pm)

Clashes avoided at Polish meetings

From Roger Boyes
Warsaw, April 23

A conciliatory mood dominated discussions today in the Polish Communist Party central committee meeting, with very few open disputes between hardline and moderate elements and a great deal of serious discussion about how to deal with the economic crisis.

For the first time, the plenary session has broken up into nine discussion groups, an innovation of General Wojciech Jaruzelski, the party leader and head of the Military Council, which focused attention on specific issues rather than giving vent to the deep seated antagonisms in the party.

In general, hardline ideologists such as Mr Miroslaw Milewski, a Politburo member, headed groups with themes like, "Methods of stamping out the black market" while the welfare issues group was chaired by a prominent economic reformer, Mr Jan Glowczyk.

This division of responsibility will almost certainly be reflected in General Jaruzelski's summing up speech which will balance the need for greater work discipline with the need to help the poorer families worst affected by recent food price rises.

There are further hints that the plenum might usher in concessions towards Solidarity, or at least those parts of the independent made union willing to renounce political ambitions. A meeting at the weekend between party members and Solidarity advisers will discuss privately the prospects of reviving the trade union movement.

☐ Stockholm: General Jaruzelski is about to ease martial law, Mr Pawel Cieslar, the Polish ambassador to Sweden, said today. He called a press conference in Stockholm to announce that "several hundred leading internees, including many prominent members of Solidarity, may be freed by the end of April". (Christopher Mosey writes).

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Buying books of lore and lure

Faces of concentration as Sotheby's auctioned Hebrew books from the collection of the Valmadonna Trust this week. Collectors, dealers and librarians flew in for the sale from Israel, Canada, the United States and elsewhere.

The Valmadonna library was begun in Italy but is now housed in London, and contains one of the world's major collections of Hebrew *printing*.

The acquisition of whole collections has led to some duplication, hence the sale, which realized £180.000.

Disruption draws nearer in health service

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administrative, clerical, technical, computer and works staff in the NHS, gave its negotiators a clear mandate to decide on "any industrial action deemed necessary" to achieve the union's 12 per cent claim.

NHS administrative and clerical staff,in common with most other health service workers, have been offered a 4 per cent increase. Miss Ada Maddocks, Nalgo's national health organizer, said: "Last year most other groups of public sector workers, except the health workers, were given more than the 6 per cent limit. This year it is the same with the 4 per cent limit. We have also been refused arbitration or any *long-term machinery to fix* NHS pay."

Possible forms of action include one-day strikes, overtime bans, meetings during working time, strikes of key groups, non cooperation with the reorganization of the NHS, either with central Government departments or with new technology, and refusing to service meetings of employing authorities.

Nalgo is anxious to coordinate its action with the other TUC-affliated health service unions, particularly the National Union of Public Employees (Nupe) and the Confederation of Health Service Employees (Cohse) which have also pledged action.

A clearer view of the extent of likely disruption should emerge in early May, when Nupe will have completed its strike plans. Unions stress that all official action will be within TUC guidelines which state that action "should be consistent with respect for human life, safety and dignity."

It will be the first time that *health service members of* Nalgo, which includes many senior administrators, will have taken industrial action together.

A total of 215,000 nurses, porters, *cleaners* and technical staff belonging to Cohse begin their industrial action on Monday.

Several hundred Cohse members demonstrated outside the headquarters of the Department of Health and Social Security yesterday

With more than three weeks remaining before Nalgo and Nupe begin their action, it is still possible that the worst disruption could be avoided. Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, is to meet the *TUC* health services committee on Tuesday.

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Skeleton by the lake

Riddle of the Roman ruins laid bare

From Peter Nichols, Rome, April 23

British archaeologists believe they have solved a centuries-old riddle among the classical ruins of the Roman countryside.

Some people will know the romantic skeleton of a three-storey building, called Le Mura di Santo Stefano, about a mile south of Anguillara, Sabazia. The town, on Lake Bracciano, is about three-quarters of an hour's drive from Rome.

The setting is idyllic: the ruins rise as mysteriously as a Gothic building from the fields around the lake. But it is not Gothic, which becomes obvious as one approaches the hitherto unclassifiable buildings. It is Roman and dates from about AD150. At dawn and at dusk, due to the lake mists, it can take on an *ethereal character*, at variance with Roman forthrightness. This has added to the enigma.

It was thought the ruins may have been a temple, or a mausoleum. Eminent archeologists and antiquarians who went to view and draw them included Piero Ligorio, architect of the Villa d'Este, who was there in the middle of the sixteenth century. The more eminent Palladio was also fascinated, but his notebooks show that he repeated Ligorio's mistakes, suggesting that he was not above copying his colleague's efforts rather than going to see for himself.

The British School at *Rome included a study of the* ruins in its project for a survey of Southern Etruria, which has lasted 20 years. The Anguillara area and in particular Le Mura was part of the survey. The school director, Mr David Whitehouse, describes the ruins as "among the most spectacular Roman sites in south Etruria".

The principal ruin is 60ft high, 57ft wide and 71ft long, resembling a broad-based tower.

Near it are the remains of a cistern and the apse of a church dating from the Dark Ages. The British excavations have thrown light not only on the purpose of the main structure, but also on *life in this area during* the confused period after the fall of the Roman Empire.

The excavations show that early in the first century A.D. there was a farm on the site and that in AD 150 it was replaced by the tower-like structure and the cistern. A good deal of marble facing was used and several pieces of sculpture have been found. No remains have come to light to suggest outhouses, *which might* be expected if the building had been at the centre of a farming compound.

Mr Whitehouse says the search for the building's purpose went through a *series of eliminations*: there was no sign that it was a fortress, despite rudimentary defences added later and it was not a temple. Neither could it have been a mausoleum because the windows are large rather than funeral and the staircase would make transport of a sarcophagus extremely inconvenient. Indications are that there were no elaborate servants' quarters, yet the cistern indicates that the building was residential.

Mr Whitehouse is convinced that Le Mura is a Roman version of the Renaissance shooting lodge: it is an easy day's journey from Rome and therefore *convenient for what would now* be a weekend retreat and it has adequate facilities for a short stay. It is pretentious, so earlier students were looking for a grandiose explanation rather than the idea that a prosperous Roman had overdone his cottage in the country. With the advent of the Dark Ages it became the centre of a more modest community, forced by the advance of the Goths or fear of brigands to *block the ground-floor* windows. The little church was built and dedicated to St Stephen, which accounts for the name of the ruins.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The *Duke of Edinburgh*, Patron of St Nazaire Society, visits St Nazaire, France with the Society, leaves Heathrow, 7am returns 6.05pm.

Princess Margaret visits Cambridge Union Society, 6.30

Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, attends Golden Jubilee Conference of British Limbless Ex-Service Men's Association, Royal National Hotel, Russell Square, London, 12.

The *Duke and Duchess* of Gloucester are admitted as Honorary Freeman of the City of Gloucester, Guildhall, 10.15, and later the Duke, Colonel-in-Chief, Gloucestershire Regiment, accompaied by the Duchess, reviews his Regiment, 12.50.

Solution of Puzzle No 15,808

Solution of Puzzle No 15,813

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 15.814

A prize of The Times Atlas of the World *(comprehensive edition) will be given for the first correct solution opened next Thursday. Entries should be addressed to: The Times, Saturday Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT. The winner and solution will be published next Saturday. The winner of last Saturday's competition is Mr G. H. Baker, 10 Leigh Road, Southampton.*

Name ....

Address ....

ACROSS
1 Right game, in ceremonial wear, for a poet (6,7).
9 Impress the chapter about a text (9).
10 Test to make a maxim (5).
11 The medicine-man is a giant (5).
12 Point in a quote shows taste (4).
13 Frank's finished his porridge (4).
15 First letter-opener (7).
17 With Pussy-Cat in Japan, Owl might have sung to it (7).
18 Reasons for gravity with canons (7).
20 Interwoven with incursion in plot (7).
21 Nothing in the beaten track for the old party (4).
22 Faint, *after direction* to get the bird (4).
23 Agree to differ with a bore (5).
26 Old count returns — note and cheer up (5).
27 Time one acted — perhaps to entrust (9).
28 He sent tilters out to start the tournament (5,3,5).

DOWN
1 Taking instruction — you don't pay to get it (9,5).
2 One in transport, by mistake (5).
3 Vacation is around covering bad times (10).
4 Where, in good order, fashion follows (7).
5 Isn't worried about a number of designs (7).
6 Young American, internally spirited (4).
7 Took off, fed up about a girl (9).
8 Cupid has nothing to do with Pansy (4-2-8).
14 Mimi — a later version — like a ghost (10).
16 *Imbue — a clue on it is tricky* (9).
19 Wrong material for a QC contest prize? (4,3).
20 "Beside the lake, — the trees" (Wordsworth) (7).
24 Drink of note — with a girl (5).
25 Go fast and hit hard for this trophy (4).

Last chance to see

Drawings, paintings, watercolours and sculptures by local artists, Museum and Art Gallery, The Strand, Derby; 10 to 5: (ends today).

Paintings and drawings by Sue and Malcolm Davies, City Museum, Market Square, Lancaster; 10 to 5; (ends today).

Paintings of the sea and coast, Museum of Art, 19 New Church Road, Hove; 10 to 1 and 2 to 4.30; (ends today).

Scottish paintings from Stirling and Victorian paintings, City Art Centre, 2 Market Street, Edinburgh, 10 to 5; (ends today).

Paintings by Rossina Conroy, Lewis Textile Museum, Exchange Street, Blackburn; 9.30 to 6 (ends today).

Gypsies: photographs by Jonathan Garthwaite, Spectro Photographic Gallery, Bells Court, Pilgrim Street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; 10.30 to 5.30 (ends today).

David Shilling hats, Worthing Museum and Art Gallery; 10 to 5 (ends today).

Three Aberdeen Photographers: work by David Gibbb, George Smith and Frank Tocher, Art Gallery, Schoolhill, Aberdeen; 10 to 5 (ends today)

Concert, Yorkshire Police Male Voice Choir, Priory Place Methodist church, Printing Office Street, Doncaster, 7.30.

Concert, Kevoch Chor, Usher Hall, Edinburgh, 7.30.

Cambridge University Chamber Choir, Saffron Walden Parish Church, 7.30.

Elizabeth Gould (*mezzo-soprano), Richard Rorshaw, tenor)* and Olwyn Brough (organ), St George's Church, Tombland, Norwich,.

General

Festival of Narural Living: demonstrations, talks & films on meditation, yoga, health foods, herbalism, Didsburys Fielden, Park College, Barlow Moor Road, Manchester, 11 to 9 today, 12 to 7 tomorrow.

The Warrior, Britains first iron built battleship, open to the public every weekend until August 30th on the Coal Dock, Hartlepool, 2 to 5.

Tomorrow

Royal engagements

The Queen reviews the Parade of The Queen's Scouts in the Quadrangle of Windsor Castle, 2.

Last chance to see

Paintings of the Warm South, Herbert Art Gallery and Museum, Coventry; 2 to 5; (ends today).

Burnley Photographic Society exhibition, Towneley Hall Art Gallery and Museum, Burnley; 12 to 5, (ends today).

Indian Monuments through British Eyes, 1780-1980, aquatints by the Daniells and others, Adeane Gallery, Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge; 2.15 to 4.50; (ends today).

Pioneers of Flight, Corinium Museum, Park Street, Cirencester; 2 to 5; (ends today).

Cleveland Drawing Biennale, Ulster Museum, Botanic Gardens, Belfast; 2 to 5; (ends today).

Sculpture by Henry Moore, Rozelle House Museum, Rozelle Park, Ayr; 2 to 5; (ends today).

Royal wedding dress and presents, Civic Centre, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; 12 to 5; (ends today).

Music

Cambridge University Chamber Choir, Trinity College Chapel, Cambridge, 8.

General

Teesdale Country Fair, including game birds, riding, shooting, gun dogs, Larlington Hall, Barnard Castle, Co Durham, beginning at 9.

Roads

London and South-east: Tower Bridge closed all weekend. A3: Stop/go boards at Waterlooville, Hampshire. M10: Closed northbound overnight. M1: Closed northbound overnight tonight from junction 6 (Watford) to 7.

Midlands: A5: Temporary signals at Kilsby and Cowellbend (Northamptonshire), Bicton (Shropshire), and Stretton Aqueduct *(Staffordshire)*. M1: No northbound entry at junction 16 (Northampton).

North: M18: Lane closures S of Rawcliffe, Humberside. A1(M): Lane closures near M19 junction, S Yorkshire. M1: Lane closures between junctions 30 (Worksop) and 33 *(Sheffield)*.

Wales and West: M4: Lane closures between junctions 24 and 25 near Newport. M4: Lane closures between junctions 17 (A429, Chippenham) and 18 (A46, Bath); also on weekdays near Severn Bridge. A55: Closed at Holywell, Wales; diversions.

Scotland: A77: Lane closures at Ayr Road, Newton Mearns. Stirling centre will be congested today because of parade leaving Stirling University at 10 am.

Information supplied by the AA.

Sea

Sealink Newhaven/Dieppe services back to normal today; passengers may call 07912 3166 for confirmation. Some Sealink Dover/Calais sailings cancelled; for pre-recorded information call 0304 210755.

The papers

The Statesman of New Delhi said yesterday: "Whatever Britain's position in asserting its territorial rights, there are increasing doubts about what a British triumph would achieve in the long term."

"Israel might have won some sympathy by making its sacrificial Sinai withdrawal a *celebration of peace*", said the Chicago Sun-Times, "but instead has solicited condemnation by unleashing an air attack on Lebanon".

Commenting on the Falklands crisis, the Chicago Tribune urges Argentina to show the same restraint as Britain, and not press the OAS for immediate action.

Task force mail

Letters for servicemen on Falklands task force ships should be sent to BFPO 666, stating name, rank, number and ship.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.75	1.67
Austria Sch	31.35	29.35
Belgium Fr	91.25	86.25
Canada $	2.24	2.15
Denmark Kr	14.99	14.24
Ireland Pd	1.26	1.21
France Fr	11.53	10.93
Germany Dm	4.43	4.18
Greece Dr	115.50	108.50
Hongkong $	10.70	10.10
Italy Lir	2395.00	2295.00
Japan Yn	456.00	430.00
Netherlands Gld	4.91	4.65
Norway Kr	11.25	10.65
Portugal Esc	133.00	126.00
South Africa Rd	2.25	2.08
Spain Pta	191.25	182.25
Sweden Kr	10.96	10.38
Switzerland Fr	3.66	3.44
USA $	1.83	1.76
Yugoslavia Dnr	98.00	92.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

London: The *FT* Index closed down 1.9 at 567.1.

Gardens open

TODAY

Borders: Cringletie House Hotel, Eddlestone, 2½m from Peebles; 28 acres woodland, spring bulbs; 2 to 5.

TODAY AND TOMORROW

Gloucestershire: Eastington Gardens, 1m SE of Northleach; three gardens in the neighbourhood — Middle End, Eastington; Yew Tree Cottage, Lower end; and Bank Cottage, Lower End; 2 to 7.

TOMORROW

Berkshire: Englefield House, nr Theale; 7 acres of woodland garden, interesting trees and shrubs, small selection of plants for sale; 2 to 6.

Buckinghamshire: Hambleden Manor Gardens, NE of Henley, 1m N of A4155; spring bulbs, daffodils and shrubs; 2 to 7.

Cheshire: Barnett Brook, Aston, nr Nantwich, 6m NE of Whitchurch; small garden specializing in alpine plants; 2 to 7.

Kent: South Sands House and Old Guard House, Bay Hill, St Margaret's Bay; fine cliff-top gardens; 2 to 6.

Lincolnshire: Wheelabout Wood, 3m W of Spilsby; 42 acres of trees, many rare or unusual trees and shrubs, map and tree key available, plants for sale; 1 to 6.

Norfolk: Drove House, Thornham, 4m of Hunstanton on A149 to Cromer; large garden flowering trees, shrubs and bulbs, heather garden; 2 to 6.

Oxfordshire: Wardington Manor, Wardington, Banbury; 5 acres *daffodils, flowering shrubs*, rock garden, topiary work; 2 to 7.

Shropshire: Mawley Hall, 2m NE of Cleobury Mortimer, on A4117 between Bewdley and Ludlow; daffodils and other bulbs and flowering shrubs; 2 to 6.

Wiltshire: Lake House, nr Salisbury; *informal and water* gardens, shrubs, plants for sale; 2 to 7.

East Lothian: Luffness, Aberlady; fruit garden built by Napoleonic prisoners of war, daffodils; 2 to 6.

Renfrewshire: Knapps, Houston Road, Kilmacolm; wild garden, daffodils — pick your own daffodils; 2 to 6.

In the garden

Do not plant out tender flowers like marigolds, salvias, *petunias, fuchsias* and geraniums; (or tomatoes, marrows and sweet corn) until at least the end of May in the South and the first week of June in the North.

Tomatoes may be planted in a cold greenhouse now. Sow marrow and runner bean seeds in a heated house for planting out when danger of frost is past. Plant spring onions.

Pick off flowers of daffodils as soon as they fade. See that they and other spring bulbs do not suffer from want of water if we have dry spells between now and the dying down of foilage. Give them a leaf feed once a *fortnight* until mid June. Also give one or two leaf feeds to all shrubs, roses and other plants planted last autumn or this year.

Anniversaries

Edmund Cartwright, inventor of the power-driven loom, was born at Marnham, Notts, 1743, and **Anthony Trollope** in London, 1815. **Daniel Defoe** died in London, 1731.

TOMORROW

Births: *Edward II, Caernarvon*, 1284; **Oliver Cromwell**, Huntingdon, 1599; **Marc Isambard Brunel**, engineer, Hacqueville, France, 1769; **John Keble**, poet and a founder of the Oxford Movement, Fairford, Glos, 1792. **William Cowper**, died at East Dereham, Norfolk, 1800. Liberation Day, Italy; Revolution Day, Portugal; Anzac Day.

Weather forecast

Anticyclone becoming established over Great Britain.

6 am to midnight

London, Midlands, Central N England: Sunny periods; wind variable, light; max temp 13 to 14C (55 to 56F).

SE England: Sunny intervals; wind NE, light, moderate on coasts; max temp 11 to 12C (52 to 54F).

E Anglia, E, NE England: Sunny periods; wind NW, light; max temp 12 to 14C (54 to 56F), cooler on coasts.

Central, SW, NW England, Channel Islands, Wales, Lake District, Isle of Man: Sunny periods; wind variable, light; max temp 12 to 14C (54 to 56F), cooler on coasts.

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, *Aberdeen, Glasgow, Central Highlands*, Moray Firth: Sunny periods; wind W, moderate; max temp 12 to 13C (54 to 55F).

SW Scotland, Argyll, N Ireland: Sunny periods; wind SW, moderate; max temp 12C (54F).

NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Mostly dry, cloudy, sunny intervals; wind SW, fresh to strong; max temp 8 to 10C (46 to 50F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Monday: Mainly dry with sunny intervals, becoming rather warm, but cooler near coast.

SEA PASSAGES: North Sea, English Channel (E), Straits of Dover: Wind NE, fresh, occasionally strong; sea moderate or rough. St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind N to NE, light or moderate; sea slight.

TODAY
Sun rises: 5 47 am — Sun sets: 8.12 pm
Moon rises: 6.35 am — Moon sets: 9.03 pm

TOMORROW
Sun rises: 5.45 am — Sun sets: 8.13 pm
Moon rises: 7.02 am — Moon sets: 10.27 pm
First quarter April 30

Lighting-up time

TODAY
London 8.42 pm to 5.15 am
Bristol 8.51 pm to 5.25 am
Edinburgh 9.01 pm to 5.14 am
Manchester 8 56 pm to 5 18 am
Penzance 9.00 pm to 5.40 am

TOMORROW
London 8.43 pm to 5.13 am
Bristol 8.53 pm to 5.23 am
Edinburgh 9.09 pm to 5.12 am
Manchester 8.57 pm to 5.16 am
Penzance 9.01 pm to 5.38 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	c	11	52	Guernsey	s	12	54
Birmingham	f	12	54	Inverness	c	08	46
Blackpool	c	10	52	Jersey	s	13	55
Bristol	f	13	55	London	f	14	57
Cardiff	f	12	54	Manchester	c	10	50
Edinburgh	s	10	50	Newcastle	s	11	52
Glasgow	f	11	52	Ronaldsway	f	10	50

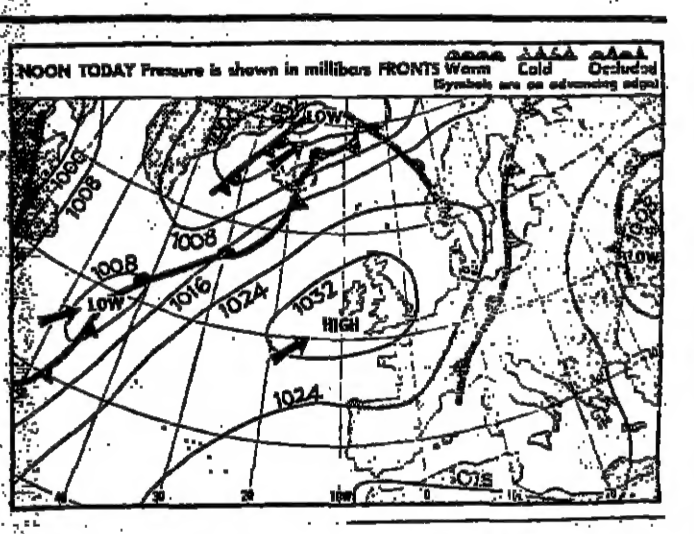
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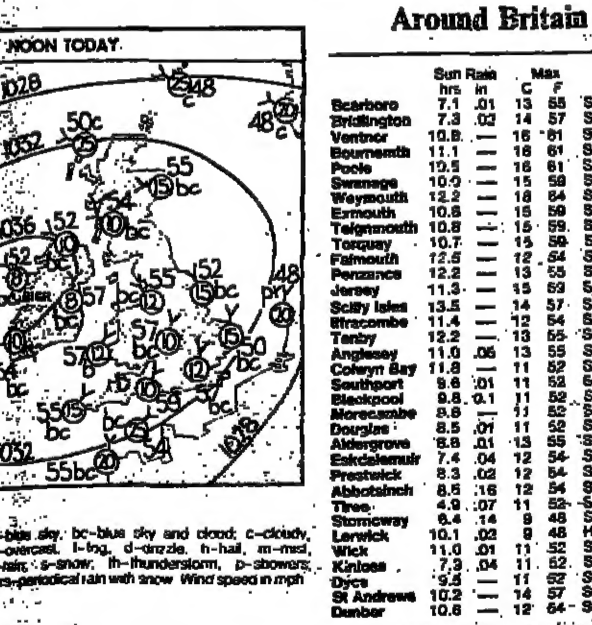
Highest day temp: Worthing, Weymouth, 18C (64F). Lowest day max: Stornaway, Lerwick, Kirkwall, Fraserburgh, Ness Point, 9C (48F). Highest rainfall: Kirkwall, 0.2in. Highest sunshine, Isles of Scilly, 13.5hr.

London

Temp: max 7 am to 7 pm, 15C (59F); min 7 pm to 7 am, 11C (52F). Humidity: 7 pm, 45 per cent. Rain: 24 hr to 7 pm, nil. Sun: 24 hr to 7 pm, 8 7 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, 1026.2 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars = 29 53 in.

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b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy, o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; m-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers; prs-periodical rain with snow. Wind speed in mph

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	7.1	.01	13	55	Showers
Bridlington	7.3	.02	14	57	Shwrs pm
Ventnor	10.8	—	16	61	Sunny
Bournemth	11.1	—	16	61	Sunny
Poole	10.5	—	16	61	Sunny
Swanage	10.0	—	15	59	Sunny
Weymouth	12.2	—	18	64	Sunny
Exmouth	10.6	—	15	59	Sunny
Teignmouth	10.8	—	15	59	Sunny
Torquay	10.7	—	15	59	Sunny
Falmouth	12.5	—	12	54	Sunny
Penzance	12.2	—	13	55	Sunny
Jersey	11.3	—	15	59	Sunny
Scilly Isles	13.5	—	14	57	Sunny
Ilfracombe	11.4	—	12	54	Sunny
Tenby	12.2	—	13	55	Sunny
Anglesey	11.0	.05	13	55	Sunny
Colwyn Bay	11.8	—	11	52	Sunny
Southport	9.6	.01	11	52	Sunny
Blackpool	9.8	0.1	11	52	Sunny
Morecambe	8.8	—	11	52	Sun Pd
Douglas	8.5	.01	11	52	Shwr pm
Aldergrove	8.8	.01	13	55	Showers
Eskdalemuir	7.4	.04	12	54	Showers
Prestwick	8.3	.02	12	54	Shwr [illegible]
Abbotsinch	8.5	.16	12	54	Showers
Tiree	4.9	.07	11	52	Showers
Stornoway	6.4	.14	9	48	Showers
Lerwick	10.1	.02	9	48	Hail
Wick	11.0	.01	11	52	Shwr pm
Kinloss	7.3	.04	11	52	Showers
Dyce	9.5	—	11	52	Sunny
St Andrews	10.2	—	14	57	Sunny
Dunbar	10.6	—	12	54	Sunny

High tides

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TOMORROW	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	2.51	7.3	3.19	7.5	London Bridge	3.30	7.5	3.58	7.6
Aberdeen	2.24	4.2	2.30	4.4	Aberdeen	3.02	4.3	3 12	4 5
Avonmouth	8.26	13.7	8.47	13.8	Avonmouth	9.09	14.0	9.29	13.9
Belfast			12.05	3.5	Belfast	12.29	3.4	12 49	3 6
Cardiff	8.11	12.7	8.32	12.8	Cardiff	8.53	12.9	9 13	12.8
Devonport	7.01	5.7	7.29	5.8	Devonport	7 49	5.7	8.13	5.6
Dover			12.04	6 7	Dover	12.25	6.8	12.49	6.7
Falmouth	6.31	5.5	6.59	5.4	Falmouth	7.19	5.5	7.43	5 4
Glasgow	1.48	4.5	2.18	4.8	Glasgow	2.29	4.6	3 00	4.9
Harwich	12.42	4.1	1.17	4.1	Harwich	1.23	4.1	1.56	4.1
Holyhead	11.24	5.9	11.47	5.7	Holyhead			12.06	5.8
Hull	7.31	7.5	7.41	7.8	Hull	8.09	7.7	8 21	7.9
Ilfracombe	7.11	9 5	7.31	9.6	Ilfracombe	7 52	9.7	8.10	9 7
Leith	3.38	5.6	3.50	5.8	Leith	4.18	5.7	4.34	5 9
Liverpool	12 08	9.6	12.27	9.9	Liverpool	12.49	9.8	1.08	10.0
Lowestoft	10.56	2.4	11 00	2.5	Lowestoft	11 35	2.4	11.44	2.6
Margate	12.44	4.9	1.22	4.9	Margate	1 24	5.0	2.03	4.9
Milford Haven	7.22	7.4	7 43	7.4	Milford Haven	8.04	7.5	8.24	7.4
Newquay	6.12	7 4	6.33	7.4	Newquay	6.54	7 5	7 14	7.4
Oban	6.57	4.3	7.11	4.1	Oban	7.35	4.3	7.48	4.1
Penzance	5.56	5 8	6.26	5.7	Penzance	6.47	5.8	7.13	5.7
Portland	8.16	2.2	8.45	2.2	Portland	9.01	2.3	9.27	2.2
Portsmouth	12.19	4.9	12.35	4.8	Portsmouth	1.02	4.9	1.21	4.8
Shoreham	12.06	6.4	12.23	6.4	Shoreham	12.47	6 5	1.08	6.4
Southampton			12.05	4 6	Southampton	12.27	4.7	12.44	4.5
Swansea	7.31	10.0	7.49	10.0	Swansea	8.12	10.1	8.30	10.1
Tees	4.48	5.5	4.57	5.7	Tees	5.27	5.6	5.41	5.7
Walton-on-Naze	12.37	4.3	1.05	4.4	Walton-on-Naze	1.18	4.4	1.48	4.4

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Abroad

MIDDAY; c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; th, thunder.

		C	F			C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	f	17	63	Copenhgn	c	7	45	Majorca	s	20	68	Rome	c	16	61
Akrotiri	f	19	66	Corfu	f	14	57	Malaga	c	19	66	Salzburg	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Alexandria	s	23	73	Dallas*	c	13	55	Malta	c	15	59	Sao Paulo*	f	25	77
Algiers	s	19	66	Dublin	c	11	52	Melbourne	c	24	75	S Francisco	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Amsterdam	c	8	46	Dubrovnik	f	11	52	Mexico C*	s	20	68	Santiago*	f	24	[illegible]
Athens	c	14	57	Faro	c	17	63	Miami*	s	30	86	Seoul	c	19	66
Bahrain	c	29	84	Florence	f	16	61	Milan	f	15	59	Singapore	th	28	82
Barbados*	s	17	63	Frankfurt	f	15	59	Montreal*	c	5	41	Stockholm	[illegible]	12	54
Barcelona	s	18	64	Funchal	s	18	64	Moscow	c	8	46	Strasbourg	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Beirut	s	21	70	Geneva	c	14	57	Munich	s	9	48	Sydney	[illegible]	24	75
Belgrade	f	9	48	Gibraltar	c	17	63	Nairobi	c	25	77	Tangier	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Berlin	s	12	54	Helsinki	s	9	48	Naples	f	15	59	Tehran	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bermuda				Hongkong	r	21	70	New Delhi	s	35	95	Tel Aviv	[illegible]	21	70
Biarritz	c	17	63	Innsbruck	f	12	54	New York				Tenerife	[illegible]	23	73
Boulogne	f	11	52	Istanbul	f	11	52	Nice	f	15	59	Tokyo	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bordeaux	s	20	68	Jo'burg	c	18	64	Oslo	r	6	43	Toronto*	[illegible]	7	45
Brussels	c	14	57	Jiddah*	s	35	95	Ottawa				Tunis	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Budapest	f	9	48	Karachi	s	31	88	Paris	f	16	61	Valencia	[illegible]	19	66
Buenos Aires				Las Palmas	f	21	70	Peking	s	28	82	Vancouver	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cairo	s	26	79	Lisbon	s	21	70	Prague	f	10	50	Venice	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cape Tn	s	25	77	Locarno	s	15	59	Reykjavik	r	4	39	Vienna	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
C'blanca	c	18	64	L Angeles*	s	25	77	Rhodes	s	16	61	Warsaw	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chicago*	s	10	50	Luxembg	f	15	59	Riyadh	s	37	99	Washngtn*	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cologne	c	18	61	Madrid	s	19	66	Rio de Jan*	f	24	75	Zurich	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

*denotes Thursday's figures are latest available